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WEATHER FORECAST

Victoria and Vicinity—Overcast with intermittent drizzle. Light winds. Little change in temperature.

Temperatures Yesterday — Maximum, 39; Minimum, 30.

Precipitation— 06 inch.

Coal Board Rules All British Mines On Five-Day Week

New Order to Put Short Hours in Effect On May 1 if No Arbitration Is Asked

LONDON, Dec. 19 (AP).—The National Coal Board said today that a five-day week will go into effect in Britain's coal mines May 1, or if arbitration is necessary, four weeks after the arbitrator's decision is given.

The board, set up by the act of Parliament which took the mines under public ownership as of next January 1, made the announcement after a series of conferences with representatives of the National Union of Mineworkers.

Miners, now working six days a week, received the news with jubilation. They contend that production, at present so low that Government officials have forecast a 5,000,000-ton deficit this Winter, will rise because the men will work harder and absenteeism will decrease.

How the wages of the country's approximately 698,000 miners will be affected by the five-day week was not disclosed in the announcement

Named Commander Of Carrier Fleet

LONDON, Dec. 19 (Reuter).—Rear Admiral George Ellery Creasy has been appointed commander of aircraft carriers and airplanes, British Pacific Fleet, succeeding Rear Admiral A. R. M. Bridge, it was announced today. Admiral Creasy also held the appointment as rear admiral in charge of submarines was the youngest British rear admiral when promoted to that rank in fall 1943. The appointment is effective in February

U.N. Mission To Report On Balkans

Will Investigate Greek Frontier

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y., Dec. 18 (AP).—The United Nations Security Council today brought to an end a commission to the Balkans to investigate alleged border violations involving Greece and her neighbors.

The council set up machinery for a premier report on the alleged border violations and the bloody guerrilla warfare along Greece's northern frontier.

Action was completed on the measure after the council voted a Polish amendment to invite "liaison" representatives of the four countries involved, to "assist" the commission. Polish Delegate Oscar Lange said the amendment would permit the representatives to cross each other's frontiers and "pierce the iron curtain" between them.

Tot Unmasks Santa Claus

WATERLOO, Ont., Dec. 18 (CP).—It was bound to happen, the adult illusion of the year. The children were happily lined up to greet Santa Claus at the Kitchener-Waterloo Orphanage Christmas party today when Santa's whiskers was suddenly shattered. One of the lots had screamed: "That's my daddy!"

Youngsters See Their First Electric Train

FROM the concentrated interest shown in this electric railway in an Eastern department store by these youngsters, who never saw one before in their lives, it looks as if dad's going to come up against stiff competition in "showing junior how" this Christmas. A slight accident happened along just as this group of boys and little girls were positively eating the shiny locomotives, wagons, stations and gleaming track. How good that it happened, and hopefully pending Santa Claus' surprise visit to their homes! And who wouldn't be like them

Rio De Janeiro Crowds Burn Russian Flag Mob Communist Office

Recall of Secretary From Moscow Embassy Touches Off Series of Demonstrations

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 19 (AP).—Anti-Communist mobs, apparently increasing in size and fury, burned a Brazilian diplomatic official in Moscow, attacked and looted headquarters of the Brazilian Communist Party tonight, beat a guardsman on duty, wrecked Communist election headquarters and burned a Russian flag.

The demonstrations occurred several hours after Foreign Minister Paul Fernandes said Brazil would withdraw her second secretary of the embassy at Moscow. Juan Batista Soares de Pina, at the request of Russia.

Despite the violence in downtown streets, no casualties were reported.

Fernandes said Brazil's ambassador in Moscow had agreed to release Soares de Pina, but had felt the secretary was not responsible for a street scuffle in which the secretary was reported involved.

The Foreign Minister said the diplomat "may have been imprisoned and maltreated." He added he was seeking official information from the embassy in Moscow, headed by Ambassador Pimentel Brandao.

Sweepstake To Aid Sick Is Endorsed

Mayor George Backs Principle of Scheme

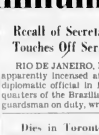
Mayor Percy E. George yesterday spoke out in favor of Government or municipally operated sweepstakes as a means of financing hospitals.

"I have long felt sweepstakes under proper Government control would provide a means of alleviating the growing financial distress of hospitals throughout the province," he stated. "I agree in principle the same as I agreed with virtual schemes carried out during the war under the War Charities Act."

Mayor George said he was entirely in sympathy with Aid H M Dugan's suggestion that the matter should be thoroughly discussed by the City Council with a view to possibly asking the Provincial Government to permit sweepstakes by amending the Criminal Code.

Vancouver took the action earlier in the week. The Provincial Legislature several years ago passed a similar resolution but no action by the Dominion followed.

Dies in Toronto



TORONTO, Dec. 18 (CP).—Rev. Dr. John Gibson Inkster, 79, retired minister of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, died in hospital here today from injuries suffered four nights ago when struck by a motor car.

For 18 years minister of Knox Presbyterian Church here, Dr. Inkster retired in 1936. Shortly after retirement he spent six months in New Zealand and when returning to Canada in 1940 he and his wife were survivors of the sinking of the Royal Mail steamer Niagara, which struck a mine of the New Zealand coast.

He is survived by his widow, the former Alice Gertrude Rowsome and three daughters.

One-time ex officio of the Victoria Presbytery of the church, he also had been chaplain of the Toronto Scottish Regiment. He was a former member of the board of mission of the Presbyterian General Assembly and had been a director of the Sudan United Mission and the South African General Mission.

He served for a year as tinantial representative of the Presbyterian College at Montreal before becoming minister of First Presbyterian Church at London, Ont. He also was moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Victoria before coming to Toronto in 1928.

New Station Is Planned

NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C., Dec. 18 (CP).—Plans are being prepared for a new Trans-Mainline here, to be used jointly by Canadian National and Great Northern Railways, it was announced today. W. T. Moodie, C.N.R. general superintendent, informed city council by letter that plans will be completed shortly and submitted for approval as soon as possible to the council.

Location of the station was not mentioned in the letter, but it is known a site near the foot of Columbia is under consideration.

Dominion Exporters, Importers Now Trade on Sterling Basis

OTTAWA, Dec. 19 (CP).—Finance Minister Abbott announcing tonight changes in Foreign Exchange Control regulations disclosed that agreements have been concluded with the United Kingdom which will permit a broader use of sterling by Canadian exporters and importers.

Mr. Abbott said the main changes, all of which become effective January 1, are:

1. Canadian traders will be authorized to expect for payment in sterling if they wish, to do so to a number of countries from which they hitherto had been required to obtain payment in a United States dollar basis.

2. Certain countries which have received credits from the Canadian Government will be free to use them to finance private as well as intergovernmental trade with Canada. Countries affecting are France Belgium Holland Norway and Czechoslovakia.

3. The authority of banks to make United States funds available for travel purposes without reference to the Foreign Exchange Control Board will be increased from $200 to $500.

4. Canadian importers will be able to trade on a sterling basis with countries which hitherto had to be dealt on a United States dollar basis.

The Canadian Foreign Exchange Control Board will convert sterling into Canadian or United States dollars.

"These arrangements," said Mr. Abbott, "represent a preliminary but important step in the carrying into effect by the United Kingdom of the agreement at the time credits were negotiated with Canada and the United States, to make the sterling earnings of foreign countries convertible by June 15, 1947."

Canadian Dollar at Par With U.S.

OTTAWA, Dec. 18 (CP).—**The Government has passed an order in council establishing the Canadian dollar at its present value at parity with the United States dollar until further notice. It was learned authoritatively tonight.**

This action is necessary under legislation passed at the last session at Parliament to continue the war been Foreign Exchange Board The Exchange Control Act between Alberta January 1 and requires that the dollar rate be fixed in order in readvil.

While the order, passed today, does not in itself mean any change in current rates, said it did serve to emphasize that the Government was not planning to revalue the dollar and would be, in effect, a denial of recent reports in some quarters that Canada and the United States that revaluation was impending.

Congress Party Defers Vote

NEW DELHI, Dec. 19 (CP).—Congress Party members of India's Constituent Assembly tonight were understood to have decided to defer until January 20 a vote on Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's resolution declaring the Assembly's resolve to proclaim India an independent sovereign republic.

Congress Party members met after the Assembly dispersed a motion asking the postponement of the resolution to enable representatives who have boycotted the Assembly to take part in its deliberations.

Nehru, vice-president of India's Interim Government, moved the resolution December 13 and the Assembly has been debating it ter ins date.

Fear Holdups To Get Drugs

SEATTLE, Dec. 19 (AP).—Closing of usual sources of supply of illicit drugs may lead in a wave of Pacific Northwest drug store and pharmacy holdups and other serious crimes involving narcotics in coming months, Detective-Lieutenant Gilbert T. Boland, head of the police department's narcotics detail said today.

Scarcity of drugs, particularly morphine, has sent prices skyhigh, he said. Addicts who can't shake the habit and can't afford to buy are going to get narcotics any way they can, even at gunpoint.

In a Virginia Mason Hospital pharmacy holdup, Tuesday evening, two gunmen took a shopping bag full of drugs, and two attendants night a lone bandit took a paper sack full from a Bloedel drug store. Vancouver also recently experienced a wave of drug store holdups claimed by a number of armeds.

Make Atomic Material Available to Students

VANCOUVER, Dec. 18 (CP).—Atomic research facilities at the University of British Columbia soon will be playing a very important part in Canada's nuclear program, Dr. W. B. Lewis, the Dominion's chief atomic researcher, said in an interview today.

Director of the atomic energy division of the National Research Council and head of the Chalk River, Ont., radioactive laboratories, Dr. Lewis said the plant, which has been operating some reparative substances soon to Canadian universities for research work.

Some of the radioactive material by the Chalk River plant lasted only a matter of hours, but other materials that had been developed would be radio-active for thousands of years, he said.

"We are trying to establish good relations with universities and make radioactive material available to Canadian universities," Dr. Lewis said the plant. "That's why I m here."

Dr. Lewis who came from England for atomic research work in Canada, said the Chalk River laboratories were chiefly concerned in purely research matters and peacetime applications for atomic power

Planes Collide 86 Beat Death

ABERDEEN, Md., Dec. 18 (AP).—Eighty-six persons had brush with death tonight when two Miami-bound air liners collided here in mid-air but the pilots landed both ships safely and no one was even scratched.

One plane was a four-engined DC-4 of Eastern Airlines with 58 passengers and four crew members. Its tail was damaged but the pilot, J. B. Kuhn, of Miami, flew it on to a smooth landing at National Airport in Washington.

The other was a two-engined ship of Universal Airlines, which operates "non-scheduled" service from New York to Miami and Puerto Rico with 22 passengers and a crew of four. The windshield of its cockpit was caved in, a hole was driven into the fuselage above the cockpit, and its radio and hydraulic system were knocked out, but its pilot brought it down safely at an army field here

Mild Weather For Prairies

WINNIPEG Dec. 18 (CP).—Mild weather swept across the prairies today as thermometers rose from below zero marks. The mercury at Edmonton showed 42 above with a light northwest wind and Calgary registered 36 degrees. Winnipeg was the coldest prairie city with a temperature of 18 degrees southeast winds and light snowflurries.

Temperatures of 26 and 22 degrees with north winds and light snowfalls were recorded at Saskatoon and Regina.

Test on Peace Set in Moscow

LONDON, Dec. 19 (CP).—Foreign Secretary Bevin arrived at Moscow (empire time) with reserved reports of the Foreign Ministers and United Nations, reshaped in New York but warned that the great test will come in Moscow in March when we have in deal with the real problem of Germany.

Interviewed aboard the liner Queen Elizabeth on which he sailed Foreign Minister Molotov of Russia Monitor sent and to ship-side reporters that he was "far too busy" for an interview.

Spectacular Fire Burns Elevator

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 19 (AP).—A spectacular fire with raging flames visible from the air as far as 25 miles away destroyed the barley filled Union grain elevator early today and a company official estimated the loss at about $3,000,000

Price Increase Seen for Gold

VANCOUVER, Dec. 19 (CP).—An increase in the price of gold was hinted today by mining men here following a report from Washington that the International Monetary Fund had established values of more than 30 currencies of member nations.

A spokesman for the mining industry said it was likely gold value would increase when the new prices are firmly established and nations with a low gold reserve seek supplies to strengthen their currency.

The parallel for values is the United States dollar with a rating of 19.3-21 grains fine of gold. The Canadian dollar is given a par rating.

The present gold rate in Canada is $38 a fine ounce.

OTTAWA, Dec. 18 (CP).—A Prices Board spokesman said today that the Government has given no consideration to lifting the ceiling from base metals.

He was commenting on a Toronto dispatch which said that a report that the ceiling would be lifted started a buying wave in base metal stocks on the Toronto Exchange.

Bracken Says Dominion Wheat Pact With Britain "Bad Deal" for Canada

TORONTO, Dec. 18 (CP).—Canada's wheat agreement with Great Britain was a "bad deal" for the Dominion John Bracken told the annual meeting of the Ontario Progressive Conservative Association tonight in urging the country to co-operate in forming a world of multi-lateral trade.

The National Progressive Conservative Party leader said it was beyond his power "to understand in face of known advantages of multi-lateral trade" that Prime Minister Mackenzie King "should have lent his influence to Britain's view in the type of internationalism embodied in the wheat agreement with Great Britain."

"Under terms of a foreign trade contract, Great Britain will buy 800,000,000 bushels of Canadian wheat, delivered at the rate of 160,000,000 bushels for the first two years and 140,000,000 in each of the last two years. The price is $1.55 a bushel for the first two years but less than $1.20 for the third year and not less than $1 for the fourth year. Actual prices for the last two years will be fixed by negotiations.

"Aside altogether from putting Canada out of step with the constructive work of the United Nations it is a bad deal for Canada," said Mr. Bracken. "For 13 years prior to the war, 66 per cent of Canada's wheat exports went to countries other than Great Britain."

Mr Bracken said that the wheat agreement meant Canada was giving one customer a virtual monopoly on her export market for grain and Mr King had caused the country "to revert economically to the status of a Crown colony

After building up our exports to so that we could maintain the historic and deliberate mechanism of international trade, we are reverting to the restrictionist practices of the era of the British corn laws. The agreement is a step backwards. Why should we in the wake of the greatest victory ever known for the forces of freedom, accept a policy of narrowing and restricting international trade?

"There had never been a true surplus of wheat, Mr Bracken said. There had only been an apparent surplus that piled up in exporting countries while hungry millions of the world could not afford to buy it.

Swallows Teeth When Team Bolts

BURNS LAKE, Dec. 19 (CP).—Passing motorists here listened sympathetically today to Joe Cormier's latest mishap with his apparently ill-fitting dentures — he swallowed them when his team bolted and tossed him into a poplar tree

The 72-year-old rancher admitted he was the more fellow who dropped his teeth overboard while leaning on the railing of a Sheena River ferry six years ago. And the same man from a block a curious pork-pie recently stole his plate while he slept.

He got the dentures back from the rat, he said, but the latest swallowing incident has convinced him he'd rather be toothless from now on.

Sweepstake Tickets Are Hopeful

Severe Storms Cover Europe

LONDON Dec. 19 (Reuter).—Severe storms swept most of European transport from the Black Sea to the North Sea today and contributed to two plane crashes in Britain.

From Bulgaria reports said blizzards piling up drifts ten feet deep, blocked railways and held up food and mail shipments

Freezes of severity not normally expected before January blocked canal and inland waterways in Germany throwing additional heavy burdens on overtaxed railways. Ice also blocked the Bremen-to-Berlin waterway, requiring emergency measures to move food and coal carges.

North Donegal in Eire reported the worst freeze since 1944 with many mountain roads impassable

Air Patrols Find Vessel

TOKYO Dec 20 (Pritish) American air patrols reported today they had located a missing 65-ton British vessel adrift in the Central Western Honshu Her crew is safe ashore

Pilots Air Force planes are still searching for a second missing Russian vessel, the 1,000-ton Soviet Cargo Transport last reported drifting toward Hokkaido.

Ford Report Not Useful Alderman Diggon States

A report on transportation in Greater Victoria made by two experts of the Ford Motor Company of Canada last Summer and received by Alderman Harold M Diggon was a general treatment given free which would add nothing to the knowledge of the Greater Victoria Transportation Committee, Alderman Diggon said last night.

Alderman Diggon produced the report, annotated by E P Parr, transportation consultant, after a delegation from the Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council headed by George A Wilkinson, had met Mayor Percy E George and asked what had become of it.

Mayor George replied that up to a hour previous he had not heard of sixth a report. He said he was going to demand that the report be produced or delivered to the City Hall in the morning.

Alderman Diggon read the report, dated June, 1944, and with an accompanying letter dated August 30 addressed to Transportation Committee Greater City of Victoria," had been received late in September

The report contained only two paragraphs on the question of public ownership which concluded that the committee had investigated the accomplishments of operations under both forms of administration and that "from these practical observations we believe your judgment to be fairly clear on the proposition."

Mr Parr remarked on the report, in a note to Alderman Diggon "A few general remarks supplied gratis which quite properly exhaust the resources of Victoria and its climate —but which deals with our transportation problem in a sketchy and superficial fashion and tells us nothing which we did not know in greater detail. We have no fund many other and better references on the subject.

Bracken Says Excuse Feeble

TORONTO, Dec. 18 (CP).—John Bracken, Federal Progressive Conservative Party leader, today challenged the Dominion Government to go ahead with its original plan for a by-election at Halifax next month, "because they know that if they do so they are nearly defeated."

Addressing the provincial party's annual conference Mr. Bracken criticized Federal authorities for calling off the by-election on the grounds of "cold weather."

City Policemen Offered Work Week of 44 Hours

City police commission yesterday agreed to grant police a 44-hour week, including overtime, more legal holidays, and increased clothing allowance, and agreed to meet the Victoria City Police Federal Union representatives to negotiate demands for a 16-cents-an-hour increase in pay.

The union had requested a 48-hour week.

The decision to talk the union to accept a 44-hour week came after Police Chief J. A. Bishop reported the shorter week, together with increased clothing allowances requested, would add $86,000 a year to the annual police department budget. An extra 14 men would have been required, the chief stated.

The commission will ask the union to scale down to $140 its demands for a clothing allowance of $180 annually and to reduce the demand of $20 a year for boots to $10.

While accepting in principle the union's request that its old-fashioned helmet and "shako-crested" uniforms be replaced, the commission will ask that details of a new uniform be worked out in a joint meeting

If the union accepts the 44-hour week police will be asked to work a five-day week alternating with a six-day week

Moscow Radio Raps Britain

LONDON, Dec. 19 (CP).—The Moscow radio today accused Britain of "suppressing national movements" and "beating nationals of all her African colonies.

$75,000 Blaze At London, Ont.

LONDON Ont., Dec. 18 (CP).—Estimated damage of $75,000 was caused tonight by a fire which gutted a store in the heart of the city. Smoke and water damage affected adjacent stores and apartments but there were no serious injuries.

All city fire departments were called out to extinguish the fire, which firemen believe was started from an overheated stove in a rear room of the store

At the height of the fire, firemen received a call to another fire at the Queen Alexandra Sanatorium outside the city The hospital fire was later reported as minor

Highs and Lows Of the Weather

North Bay	30	16	18
Winnipeg	— 4	20	10
Toronto	34	28	31
Regina	— 1	12	27
Ottawa	32	20	26
Montreal Est	32	24	29
Lethbridge	21	10	46
Calgary	20	10	46
Edmonton	16	6	Trace
Prince Rupert	36	28	49
Dawson	12	2	0
Vancouver	42	38	17
Victoria	39	30	17
Portland	— 3	12	17
Seattle	40	34	1.27
Prince George	14	2	0
Grand Forks	2	20	0
Spokane	14	6	0
Portland	40	34	Trace
Spokane	28	10	0

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Peacetime Regulation of Farms Asked in Revolutionary Measure

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP).—The Labor Government asked today for a revolutionary farm bill under which a farmer could be ousted from his land for ignoring "scientific" advice and farm wages would be fixed by a board.

Prime Minister Clement Attlee and Winston Churchill angrily announced he would seek overthrow of the Government on grounds of "tyranny, conceit and incompetence."

The bill, representing the first major governmental attempt at peacetime regulation of agriculture since the repeal 100 years ago of the "corn laws," calls for subsidies, guaranteed minimum prices and guaranteed markets, even if the Government has to buy some products. It aims at stabilizing agriculture by eliminating much uncertainty from the farmers' plans.

It was introduced in the House of Commons yesterday, and today the Government issued a White Paper in explanation of the broad powers it proposes to assume for the bill's enforcement.

The British Press Association tonight reported a "wide measure of agreement" on the bill among Conservatives and quoted Capt. Harry Crookshank, Conservative member of the House of Commons agricultural committee, as saying that it appeared to follow lines broadly agreed upon for the future development of British agriculture.

Mr. Churchill made no reference to the farm bill in commenting today in the House of Commons that he intends to call for a vote of censure when Parliament reassembles after its Christmas recess. A successful vote would force the Government to change its Socialistic program or resign.

Scowling and jutting out his lower lip while his Conservative followers cheered, the wartime Prime Minister told House Leader Herbert Morrison that "if you notice when Parliament reassembles we shall ask time for a debate on a vote of censure."

Two Americans as Nazi Agents

Two American expatriates, who allegedly served as willing propaganda agents for the Nazis during the World War have been returned to Washington on a plane to stand trial for treason. Left to right are Robert H. Best, formerly of Sumter, N.C., Douglas Chandler, an ex-resident of Baltimore, Md., and an unidentified United States marshal as they left the marshal's office in Washington.

America Must Withdraw Troops Says This Communist Speaker

NANKING, Dec. 18 (AP).—President Truman's reaffirmation of American policy toward China evoked pleasure in Government circles today, but a Communist spokesman said the United States should cease "confining itself to lip service to peace."

There was no official Government comment, and none was expected. Top leaders of the Nanking Kuomintang regime took the position that the President's statement was mainly directed at critics of his year-old policy rather than at this Government.

Pro-Government sources hailed the statement as indicating that a bitter anti-American campaign by the Communists, which had seen some support in America, had failed to influence the White House.

They felt that Mr. Truman had given a clean bill of health to the Government. Neutral onlookers while not viewing it as that strong expressed belief that it did mean no great change in the American attitude towards China was to be expected in the near future.

While approving the President's desire for peace in China, Wang Ping-Nan, Communist spokesman in Nanking commented "the immediate task is to put an end to the gruesome civil war. If the United States wants to help on that score it must demonstrate that it is not going to continue helping the Kuomintang (Government Party) alone.

"If America wants to show respect for Chinese Independence she must withdraw troops from China. When the United States ceases continuing itself to lip service to peace but does things in actual fact, it then will be helping China."

Walt Cen. Marshall staying on officially as special Presidential envoy, continued to be a thorn in the side of Communists who oppose adoption of a new Chinese constitution would be followed soon by resumption of some sort of negotiations between the Government and Communists.

The first copy of a newly instituted Finnish medal for humanitarian aid to Finland was recently presented to Mr. Herbert Hoover, awarded King Gustaf of Sweden.

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Aerial Surveys To Do Quickly Decade's Work

Obtaining within a matter of a few years information that would take decades to amass by old methods of ground level survey, aerial surveys for mapping of the southern half of British Columbia are to be greatly expanded next year and 10 new deputy lands ministers George P. Melrose announced yesterday.

Already more than 150,000 photographs of different parts of the province are in the department's files. Surveys to be conducted under the program for the next two years, in conjunction with the federal Government's aerial survey organization, will extend over three large zones. The coastal area so far into the interior as the Chilcotin foothills, the central plateau from a line west of Kamloops, and the Kootenays, from Cranbrook

Australia Invites German Scientists

CANBERRA, Dec. 19 (Reuters).—Prime Minister Chifley announced today the Cabinet has decided to invite German scientists to Australia under a voluntary agreement of service

The scientists, who would have a special knowledge or skill, would be subject to security supervision and politically unobjectionable

The Prime Minister said the scheme might be the most valuable form of reparations to be obtainable from Germany.

Token Import Plan Goods Are Listed

LONDON, Dec. 19 (Reuters).—A new list of goods which may be imported from Canada, the United States, Belgium, Switzerland, Denmark, France, Sweden and Holland under Britain's "token" import plan has been made public by the Board of Trade.

The new goods include processed fruits, pickles, linen piece goods, finishing fabrics of cotton and cotton rayon mixtures, weighing apparatus, aluminium or aluminium-alloy bed bards and mirrors for utility furniture.

Under the token system imports are restricted to a certain percentage of prewar imports

Peace Overtures Related by Attlee

LONDON, Dec. 19 (Reuters).—Japanese war leaders considered asking for peace terms more favorable than unconditional surrender before the first atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, Prime Minister Attlee told the House of Commons today.

No overtures, however, were received by powers at war with Japan until August 10, 1945—four days after Hiroshima and 13 days after the Allied surrender call issued at Potsdam, he added.

"At Potsdam on July 26 1945 Generalissimo Stalin informed President Truman and me in strict confidence that the Soviet Government, who had at that time not joined in the Far Eastern war, had received from the Japanese Government a proposal that they should act as mediators between the Japanese Government and the British and United States Governments," he said.

"According to Generalissimo Stalin the Soviet Government interpreted this move as an attempt to obtain the collaboration of the Soviet Government in furtherance of Japanese policy, and they had therefore returned an unhesitating negative."

Seaplanes May Circle Globe

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP).—The United States Navy's freemed expected of flying boats applied today for 57,000 miles of air routes to prepare eventually to operate as a civilian, encircling the globe with seaplanes, flying both directions twice a week

Capt. C. M. (Dutch) Schildhauer, now air traffic co-ordinator for the Naval Air Transport Service, filed an application with the Civil Aeronautics Board for authority to carry passengers, mail and cargo using only water terminals. Home base would be at New York and Baltimore, with stops at New Orleans and San Francisco.

The aircraft would be the latest type of Martin Mars developed for the Naval Air Transport Service and suitable as naval auxiliaries in an emergency

The proposed routes would cross the North Atlantic, the Mediterranean, Arabian Sea, Bay of Bengal, South China Sea, Pacific Ocean, Gulf of Mexico and Chesapeake Bay

Schildhauer said he would remain on active duty with the navy until next July, but filed now to obtain an early CAB hearing. He proposes to organize a corporation to be known as United Seven Flying Ships, Inc.

The CAB already has certificated two land-based aircraft routes around the world, one to be operated in both directions by Pan-American Airways and the other through a connection between Trans-World Airlines and Northwest Airlines

PRESIDENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS

ROME, Dec. 19 (AP).—A sub-commission of the Constituent Assembly, which is writing Republican Italy's national charter, voted today to bar from the presidency all members of Royal houses which ruled today over Italy or any Italian states, agreed that the president must be at least 45 years old, would be elected for a seven-year term and could not be re-elected.

ALERT POLICE FOOLED

BALTIMORE, Dec. 19 (AP).—Two policemen spotted a masked man in a downtown restaurant early today, noticed that the waitress usually there at closing time was missing. They burst in with guns drawn—only to discover that the masked man was an insect exterminator. Fumes from his spray had driven the waitress into the basement

Note-Writing "Pal" Leaves With $40

EDMONTON, Dec. 19 (CP).—George Fotek, of Edmonton, was thoroughly convinced today that friendship can be carried too far.

He returned to his room last night to find $40 taken from a drawer. Left on the dresser, however, was a pencil-scribbled note saying:

"I was up to see you, George, but you weren't home, but I borrowed some money I found in the drawer. The message was signed "A Pal." Police are searching for the "pal."

Courts-Martial Open at Halifax

HALIFAX, Dec. 19 (CP).—Court-martial of the commanding officer and navigating officer of the navy mine-sweeper Middleton, which ran aground and was lost off Halifax December 2, opened today in H.M.C.S. Shaddacona.

First to face the court was Lieut. E. O. T. Fisher, R.C.N.(R.), Victoria, commanding officer of the mine-sweeper which piled up on the rocks of Half Island Point while going to the aid of the crippled United States fishing vessel Olympia.

Lieut. A. O. Grey, R.C.N., Tomahawking, Ont., navigating officer and officer of the watch at the time of the stranding, will face the court tomorrow

Coal Operators Split Forces

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP).—United States soft coal operators split ranks today, breaking up for the present their national wage committee, and producers of 80 per cent of the country's bituminous coal expressed willingness to negotiate immediately for a new contract with John L. Lewis.

All but the Southern and Far Western producing groups joined in a statement offering to negotiate a new contract directly with Lewis "at any convenient time."

Charles O'Neill, head of the Northern Appalachian operators and chief spokesman for the majority, said that so far as the mine owners were concerned they would be willing to open conversations with Lewis immediately—without waiting for a Supreme Court decision on validity of the $1,510,000 fine against Lewis and the United Mine Workers for contempt of court.

Telephone Workers Announce Demands

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP).—The National Federation of Telephone Workers tonight announced demands is estimating would cost the telephone industry in the United States $247,000,000 to $249,000,000 a year.

Joseph A. Beirne, president of the independent union, told a press conference that the demands including a $12-a-week raise for all workers, constitute "our strike demands for the present."

The union fixed a strike date for April 7 but Beirne said he expects an agreement before then.

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Men of Good Will Seek Home For Baby Born in Coal Bin

PORT WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 18 (AP).—In the Christmas spirit, men of good will today sought a new home for Bebe Ana Chomo born two weeks ago in an humble place as that in which the Christ Child came into the world 20 centuries ago.

Bebe Ana was ushered into life not in a manger but in a seven-by-12-foot basement coal bin

The story of Bebe Ana eighth child of Antonio Gamez and his wife, Planitina, was brought out when the mother was taken to hospital with her baby.

Antonio, a native of Mexico, but a naturalized American citizen, came here several weeks ago from Berne, Ind., where he had been working in a tomato-packing plant.

He and his family of nine have been paying $60 a month for the converted coal bin in the home of a fellow countryman, Walter F. Hayne, township trustee, investigating the case said that Gamez had told him through an interpreter that he was well satisfied with his basement home. Roberto, the eldest son, added: "Anyway we are not cold. Bee, we are right next to the furnace."

The bin served as a dwelling for the father and mother and seven children before Bebe came along—Roberto, 17, Rodolfo, 14, Maria, 13, Pasquale, 12, Lorenzo, 7, Gilbert, 4, and Juan, 2.

A two-burner gas plate was used for cooking. Furniture included a chest in which food was kept, a clothing rack, three straight-backed chairs, a swinging shelf holding some religious objects, a mattress set up on trestles and an iron army cot.

A piece of glass fitted into what was once the coal chute opening served as a window. On the rough board walls hanging in a home-made contraption were seven tooth brushes

Hayne said he wanted to find better quarters for the family but admitted it would be difficult in a city which he said is already short about 1,000 or more homes.

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The Local Scene

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Many Children Ask Postmen For Address of Santa Claus

Where does Santa Claus live?

Victoria postmen, throughout the year, are constant targets for any number of inquiries, and around about this time of year it is the little boys and girls of the city who are asking questions.

It is not unusual for a postman to be approached by a young citizen and asked: "What is Santa's address?" Quite often they are handed carefully sealed letters marked, "To Santa." Sometimes there's even a stamp on the envelope.

The postmen take the letters as a rule. What else could they do?

G. H. Gardiner, postmaster at Victoria, said yesterday. "Each year we receive a number of letters addressed to Santa Claus.

The letters are placed in the dead letter box, and whether or not Santa ever gets around to picking them up is a matter not to be discussed here.

BEEKS PARTICIPATION

Col Eric Pepler president of the Canadian Club, said yesterday his organization was hoping to participate in celebrations marking citizenship Week January 5 to 11. The matter was brought to the attention of Mayor Percy E. George in a letter.

In a program now being arranged for the week, the Provincial Government, the city, and interested organizations will participate.

PROTESTS TO CITY

C H Pulsifer has written to the City Council stating that any plan to renegotiate a contract for transportation franchise with the B C Electric before the people have been given an opportunity to express themselves on public ownership, is "simply preposterous."

LOOSING LUMBER

To take on further deliveries for South African ports, Sir Lake Lillooet docked at Ogden Point yesterday. She will sail to New Westminster from Victoria for additional lumber, it was announced by Cecil Hobson, manager of King Bros Ltd., local shipping agents.

OFFICERS ELECTED

H S A Jackson was elected president and Thomas Watson, vice-president, of the Victoria and Island Life Underwriters' Association at the annual meeting held at the Empress Hotel.

Cecil C Annett was elected secretary-treasurer. Named to the directorate were Thomas Lenning, Don Morrison, Norman Tanner and H V Pinder.

In a review of the past year's activities the retiring president, Joe Rines, reported a membership of 63, the highest ever recorded.

DEATH ACCIDENTAL

Death of Otto Bergstrom, whose body was found in his smoke-filled cabin on Pembroke Street by city firemen early Tuesday, was accidental, Dr. E. C. Hart, coroner, announced yesterday after an inquiry and a post-mortem.

BRINGING CARS

Ss. Parthenia, of the Donaldson Line, is scheduled to dock here from Liverpool on January 3, it was announced yesterday by R. N. B. Cumberlidge, local agent for the line.

She will carry many tons of general cargo, including a number of items in short supply in Britain. The shipment will include 3,000 cases of liquor, 30 English automobiles, flax canvas, woolen goods, men's hosiery, four cases of tricycles, football boots, 18 cases of confectionery and earthenware.

MANY CARDS HANDLED

Nearly 200,000 letters and Christmas cards went through the Victoria Post Office Wednesday and Thursday, Postmaster G H Gardiner said last night.

Mail for city delivery, he added, has been coming in so well that most of it will be delivered before Christmas Day. The Post Office will be closed both on Christmas and New Year's Days, and there will be no deliveries on either day.

Mr. Gardiner said he hopes the main rush of mail will be over by Saturday but additional letter carriers will be kept on staff until December 26.

EVERGREEN PLAYGROUND

An interesting campaign is being conducted jointly by British Columbia, Washington and Oregon to publicize the attractions of the ever-popular "Evergreen Playground" of the Pacific Northwest.

It takes the form of pages in full color in the December, January and February issues of the new travel publication Holiday, with publicity evenly shared by the Province and the two States.

"This is one of the extremely few instances of a jointly-conducted campaign and has been so successful that more than 1,500 inquiries have already resulted," Trade and Industry Minister Leslie H Eyres said yesterday.

TWELVE VISITORS

Twelve visitors were guests at this 1,070th regular luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club yesterday at the Empress Hotel. They were introduced by George I Warren, managing secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

Visitors were Arnold Anderson, Cammoe, Warren H McBride, Sub Francisco, James Richards, Dresbelier, S. W. Wolfe, Kingston, Ont., Charles McDonald, Revelstoke, A. H Alberison, Seattle, L. T Merritt, Portland, Jim Robertson, Vancouver, Pat Pield, Vancouver, M E Taylor, Kenora; Ray Clemons, Prince Albert, and H C Caldicott, Trail.

CIVIL SERVANTS X-RAYED

Health Minister George S. Pearson, with Trade and Industry Minister Leslie H. Eyres right behind him, led off a parade of Provincial civil servants to the mobile X-ray unit at the Legislative Buildings yesterday morning. It is expected that about 1,000 persons will be checked by midday tomorrow.

This is the second time the unit has been set up at the buildings. With civil servants of the various departments organized into groups in advance of the arrival of the unit, it is planned to do 400 examinations a day, in a program aimed at creation of permanent records for all members of the service.

Examinations are voluntary.

Operatic Society Holds Banquet

One hundred and twenty-five persons attended the first annual formal banquet and dance of the Gilbert and Sullivan Society in the ballroom of the Empress Hotel last night.

Miss Barbara Garrett president of the society introduced the guest speaker Mrs Nancy Hodgins, M.L.A. who expressed her interest in the creative and educational work being done.

Dr J O Mercer, president of the Drama sections of the society acted as chairman for the occasion. During the evening vocal solos were presented by Miss Dorothy Kenward and Miss Janet Brotherspatcher played piano selections.

FILMS SHOWN

Three colored films, "The Life of Tom Thompson," "The School of French Canadian Painters" and "Search Unending, the story of oil" were last night shown to members of the Victoria Camera Club at their monthly meeting in the Empress Hotel.

In the monthly prize contest C H Simmers won first prize with H Trynch, second, and J K Hodges, third.

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Many Attend Annual "Y" Christmas Dinner

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SOME of the large attendance of more than 170 members and guests at the 21st annual Christmas dinner and party at the Y.M.C.A. Wednesday night are shown in the photograph above.

Frank Paulding, retiring Y.M.C.A. secretary, expressed his appreciation to the staff for the co-operation and loyalty during his time in office.

New general secretary, Arnold Rayner, also gave a brief address.

Entertainment included N. Peterson who gave a demonstration in boxing accompanied by Vera Wood, and the McGill Trio who sang several numbers. The program continued with a Christmas carol singing led by Roy Brian with Kay Dixon at the piano.

J. V. Johnson vice-president, acted as chairman for the evening, and can be seen at the centre of the head table. He paid special tribute to the staff of the Y.M.C.A. for its work during the year, and also to Mrs. Walter Walker, president of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

Mayor Says Much to Be Done Before Parking Space Adequate

A thorough investigation into measures for providing more parking space for motorists in Victoria will be an important part of the work Mayor Percy E. George announced yesterday.

He said he was well aware that although the city had carried out an overhaul of parking and traffic regulations this year, there was much to be done to provide adequate parking for motorists.

Victoria was faced with particularly difficult parking problems, he pointed out. Unlike most cities in the Pacific Northwest, Victoria had no lanes and as a result, there was a growing number of requests for loading zones facing on streets.

Mayor George said that on a recent trip to New Westminster he was told that businessmen, who first opposed the installation of parking meters there had since "swung completely around" to favor them. He noted Vancouver was also considering installation of meters.

"I am strongly in favor of parking meters," the mayor said. He said they had proved one of the most successful methods of combating "the creepers"—those seeking in downtown offices who move their cars from one spot to another at intervals throughout the day to avoid parking fines.

He emphasized however that before meters are introduced there would be a real advertisement from Provincial Government is necessary before the city may introduce the meters here.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Glenlora Preparatory School gave its annual Christmas party recently at St. Mary's Hall, Oak Bay.

The program opened with carol singing by Form III followed by a play, "The Night Before Christmas" by Form II. Form IV presented an original sketch entitled "Shopping in Town" and Form V presented a play.

Sixty dollars was collected for the Queen Alexandra Solarium and "Save the Children Fund."

Winch Contends Cabinet Unduly Interferes With Elections Act Legislative Committee

"Unwarranted interference with a legislative committee having all the standing of a Royal commission" was the charge laid at the Provincial Cabinet's door yesterday by Harold E. Winch, CCF leader of the Opposition.

Mr. Winch came to Victoria to register with Premier John Hart an objection against the reported action of the Government, in ordering J. Phearin Hogg, legislative counsel, not to draft a bill for the next session of the House covering a new Elections Act for the province, as instructed by the Provincial Elections Act Committee appointed by the Legislature this year.

The CCF leader is a member of the three-man steering group of the committee whose chairman is R. H. Carson, Coalition member for Kamloops. Third member is W T Straith KC Victoria.

"The act says the committee shall lay a report before the House. It is in the hands of the committee what form its report should take. If the committee decides that the best way to make its report is in the form of a preamble and then a consolidated bill, that's our business. And that was the decision of the committee," Mr Winch told reporters after a two-hour meeting with the Premier.

He went on to say that recently he had discovered that the matter had been discussed with the Cabinet, who apparently have been informed of decisions of the committee, which I don't like" with the result that the Attorney-General had instructed the legislative counsel not to draft a bill.

COMMITTEE HELD EXCEEDING POWERS

In yesterday's discussion, Mr Winch said, Premier Hart had maintained that the committee was going outside its powers in recommending things that were highly contentious and that therefore it could not submit its report as a draft bill.

Mr Winch did not disclose what the "highly contentious" points are, but it is understood that the Elections Act Committee has agreed that racial bars to the franchise should be written out of the new act, thus giving the vote to Japanese, Chinese, East Indians and others from whom it is now withheld.

Mr Winch asserted the Premier was wrong in his attitude since the act empowers the committee to inquire into the Elections Act, its adequacy, and defects in it, and any improvements that might be made.

"Whether they contain any contentious new principles or not, we're not the right to bring in any recommendations we want," he said.

Mr Winch said he had pointed out to the Premier that while the committee had no power to introduce a bill, it definitely had power to recommend one it is considered that the most efficient way of bringing its report before the House.

"The Premier takes the position that he can't instruct the committee what to do, but my impression is that he will take steps to block us bringing in a bill.

"In the 16 years I have been here, this is the greatest interference with a Royal commission that has ever come to my notice," Mr Winch concluded.

Premier Hart later declined to comment on Mr Winch's statements.

Attorney-General Gordon S. Wismer, however, said briefly the Government took the position that the committee had gone beyond the functions delegated to it by the Legislature in wanting to draw up an act. Denying Government interference, he said the writers of the legislative counsel had been offered for the preparation of a report, and that was all that was necessary to bring the matter before the Legislature.

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World Exchange Accord

Settlement by thirty two countries of the thirty-nine nations subscribing to the International Fund of the exchange level at which they will recognize transactions between them is a progressive step towards the fuller resumption of world trade. Under the plan, advanced at Bretton Woods United States currency was taken as the comparable factor, and the currencies of other member states compared with that. If Canada has agreed to value the Canadian dollar at par with the United States dollar for this purpose, that is a substantive fact and cannot well be altered or changed, save for reasons arising out of world trade itself. For that reason we discount speculation in some circles on the matter, and related trading in Canadian currency on the New York market.

What the nations of the world who are members of the pact are agreeing to is to stabilize their currencies on the world scale. Seven nations have not yet composed internal difficulties in that respect and their currency levels are left open at the present. In time however, these will be added, and the International Fund can commence to function as it was intended. While probably only experts will understand all that may be involved, the average citizen will be aware that agreement as to the level at which currencies can be expressed in terms of each other, and in terms of a common basis, can mean much to the world. It is the fluctuations that disrupt commerce. Agreement to hold exchange to a steady factor will breed fresh confidence throughout much of the world.

Some such concurrence had to come before the roots of world trade could be laid afresh. There is much yet to be done before that trade, in goods, slops freights and so forth, can be set fully in motion. A stabilized value for exchange was the first step, and that is now being taken. Also the operation of the International Fund will be some guarantee that this condition of stability can be maintained in a reasonable, if not in an absolutist fashion. Stock market reports that Canada is about to juggle with her dollar are at variance with the object of the whole plan. Parity has been agreed, and parity weeks in both directions.

Bush Settlers

Hon. E. T. Kenney, Provincial Minister of Lands, is making a practical point when he stresses the need for revision of present regulations under which homesteading in the wilderness ran involve British Columbia in the provision of roads, schools, teachers, police protection, health and other services at remote points where there are no signs of real settlement. Under statutes passed in 1875, the Province is obligated to provide services where the people are. It may be realized that eight children in an area call for a school; a school for a teacher, and that for roads and all other public services, there must be some limit to the thing.

The new policy with respect to settlement would apply, it is stated, upon Crown lands and that is a fair place at which to draw the line. At the same time, care must be taken to see that homesteading is not prevented in any area where the new settlers understand what they are about, and agree to assume personal obligation on their behalf in advance of the actual population of the area. Between a blanket prohibition of all such settlement, and its permission in a wholesale way as in the past, there is middle ground. It is on that ground, as understanding by Mr. Kenney proposes that the Province shall stand.

A considerable section of British Columbia will be pioneering for many a day to come. At the same time, the extension of roads, schools and other public services far from the settled parts of the province cannot go on indefinitely. If some settlers prefer the bush, that is their right. On the other hand, the majority of earnest homesteaders will prefer areas which are developed and provided within the immediate future. While killing a general reserve on Crown lands, the Province does well to make this limitation clear.

Too Busy To Look?

It will be a matter of regret and of surprise to the veterans concerned that the Minister of Veterans' Affairs has decided not to visit Victoria and look over the Brafeoot project at first hand. This city is only a brief hour by air from Vancouver, where Mr. Ian Mackenzie has been this week, and his presence there had invited the expectation he would choose to see for himself the veterans' homes about which there has been so much contention.

No doubt the calls on a Cabinet Minister's time are many. The Brafeoot building scheme is also a matter of some urgency particularly to those former servicemen who complain about the conditions and price of the homes they have undertaken to purchase through Mr. Mackenzie's department. With officials under fire for unsatisfactory results in the matter of inspection and building safeguards, one would have thought that the Minister would be anxious to see for himself just what the Brafeoot homes are like.

An official investigation is promised into the Brafeoot project, but the Minister's personal assurance that speedy and equitable adjustment would follow any proved cases of faulty construction and high costs to the veteran. Mr. Mackenzie was reported the other day as saying that within six months all the veteran housing problem would be settled. In the light of known circumstances this seems rather an optimistic pronouncement of the light-heated variety, unless the Minister is aware of some special factors unknown to the general public.

All things considered it is unfortunate Mr. Mackenzie did not find it convenient to include even a fleeting glimpse of the Brafeoot estate in his present itinerary. His remarks about the future might then have carried more weight.

Exception To Rule

Undue economy seems to be given to those few British and other brides and families who after some weeks or months in this country find it necessary to return to the lands of their origin. Nothing is said of the large majority of recent new residents who have quickly settled with composure into the life of Canada different though it may be from their accustomed ways. In most cases the experience has been a happy one, and this country has been enriched by the relatives who have gladly adopted the land of their Canadian husband or father.

In the realm of human relations many factors intrude themselves into family adjustments and settlement in new countries. While bearing of some few departures, the public is seldom made privy to the main reasons behind such decisions. It is most merely that someone has found life in Canada to be incompatible or been unable to fit suitably into new surroundings. Because of the publicity in such cases a misleading picture is painted of newcomers finding unexpected difficulty in being absorbed into the warp and wood of their new land. The fact is that they are the exceptions which generally prove the truth of most rules.

In the wake of returning servicemen tens of thousands of their wives and children have come to this country. By and large the vast majority are already quite at home, and have shown an admirable willingness to adapt themselves to the habits and manners of new friends and neighbours. They are picking up the threads of life afresh, and are intent mainly on making a happy home for the men responsible for their migration. That is the real factor in the influx of dependents of ex-servicemen, and the one that should be noted in Canada. The few exceptions should not be allowed to obscure the true picture. For the most part these new settlers are both happy and welcome.

Wire Centenary

Yesterday was the centenary of the commercial telegraph in Canada, starting from early roots in Ontario. It was prompt good many "knights of the key" have lived out their lives of service and passed over their tracks to their successors. Automatic machines, which gobble up words and transmit them at amazing speeds, have supplanted many hand-operated keys. Multiple transmission of messages has made more vital and tenously on a single wire has come to pass. Yet, the G.M.O.M.," of the old railroad telegraphers, still is a respected term in the union agent opens up his morning trick. His hand on the key, his manner of sending, his keen, alert brain no matter what his age, signer with all telegraphers wherever the circuit runs. This week's centenary was more, then, than a 100 years of commercial telegraphy in Canada. It was a tribute to a sturdy, true and willing group of pioneers whose service has advanced the business of this nation in its every part. Today, wherever they are, they have done their work truly and well.

Seen in Passing

A correspondent suggests that traffic officers on patrol duty at street intersections at dusk in the city should be equipped with white raincoats, instead of dark uniforms, with a flashlight and white arm bands. The practice is followed at numerous other points, so that the white raincoat is thoroughly understood by the driving public. Its use, of obtainable, would safeguard the officer and help the driving public, especially in these dark Winter evenings.

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—FREDERICK GEORGE SCOTT.
(Written in World War.)

We have just enough religion to make us hate but not enough to make us love one another. —SWIFT.

The Third Column

By TOM TATLOR

BALDNESS A VIRTUE

Hollywood have been thrown into a flutter about hair—or rather the lack of it—by reason of a sage pronouncement by a university professor that baldness is a sign of supermasculinity. Their astonishment will be school elsewhere.

To those who have said a premature goodbye to the morning parting of locks the professor's revelation will not be of much moment. A strong of the industry may accompany the next application of hair restorer, but that's about all. Unlike the screen stars concerned, they don't have to worry about their jobs by virtue of their virility unadorned or retaining the hitherto distinctive camouflage of a camera toupee.

As might be expected, an irrepressible wag has come up with an atrocious "toupee or not toupee, that is the question." It couldn't be other-wise.

It's a funny thing, this business of baldness—why it bugs some, and left-minded, we mean. How is it that ladies manage to bring on their period crisis so long, for instance? This column can't complain personally at the moment, although incipient traces make it keep its fingers crossed, but we are to the future has made it wonder.

WEIRD TREATMENT

Maybe the ladies take better care of their hair. On the other hand, a woman's hair can take weird treatment in its day, what with electrical manipulations and times of various kinds. To be candid, you see more male dandies in barbers' chairs, too, but from a casual glance they give their heads but an indifferent run through with a comb.

Perhaps subconsciously they have known all the time what the professor has discovered, and what has been on too early a display of the bare scalp, has secretly been a sure that a bald head is a sign of male attracts. Vanity, of course, has always at ease with virility, which may be why the nostrums of the quacking client ask no sex being neglected.

Things have changed from Samson's day, but if baldness is to be the true expression of masculinity a sort of minor revolution may be expected. This involves the feminine reaction, of course, which is what worries the Hollywood toupee exponents.

Scientifically speaking the Britishness says there are two classes of baldness. The permanent type goes by the name of alopecia schorbiocic.

QUITE SUFFICIENT

That's quite a mouthful, but all it signifies is that there is a bare patch on top of the head which hair seems to have an urge to leave in a hurry. Or the recession of the forehock to the back of the head. The professor notes, incidentally, that men will say that's quite sufficient.

The other form has to do with disease, hairless dola here and there which is outside the bounds of this discussion.

Our forefathers had one advantage there. It could wear hats. They could hide the real origin the face. It would be revealing to see historical portraits of the Tudor period, for instance, for example.

That must have been a happy time, particularly if you have a trick of it you have trouble finding the same partner twice in succeeding. Or if you are prone to get up with a hitch in your step you have trouble finding the same partner twice in succeeding. Or if you are prone to get up with a hitch in your step you have trouble finding the same partner twice in succeeding. At least baldness provides one solution to these hair troubles.

By and large however, the professor's dictum will have a mixed reaction, and not only in Hollywood. Bonehow bald heads and romance do not coincide, and the lovely lass sport a curled pate—the envy of their straight-haired sisters perhaps—won't take kindly to the suggestion that because of their simple locks they are more masculine than a man with no hair's his head.

NOT EASILY DOWNED

But, you see, has always had an important place in human history and the notion that to possess much of it is a manifest virtue will not be easily downed. Incidentally, and unmoistery by the way we are reminded when about to write this piece that there are the red-haired races (this colored hair being an anomaly associated with freckles.

It would appear the California professor has inverted another anomaly in his theory about masculinity. Perhaps, it has suddenly struck us, he is bald himself and likes it no better than anyone else, hence his search for a comforting alibi. He bald head can't be the target by a tonsure, why not make it a symbol of value?

Dignified Sir Cedric Hardwicke had perhaps the best remark to make and the confusion the professor caused in Hollywood's male colony. Said he on doffs with characteristic aplomb:

"Baldness may indicate masculinity but it diminishes one a opportunity of finding out."

Sunrise and Sunset

DECEMBER

Times of sunrise and sunset (Pacific Standard time) at Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1946.

Date	Rise	Set	Date	Rise	Set
1	7.44	16.19	17	8.00	16.11
2	7.44	16.20	18	8.01	16.12
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4	7.47	16.20	20	8.03	16.14
5	7.48	16.20	21	8.03	16.16
6	7.49	16.20	22	8.04	16.17
7	7.50	16.20	23	8.05	16.18
8	7.51	16.20	24	8.06	16.19
9	7.52	16.20	25	8.06	16.20
10	7.53	16.20	26	8.06	16.21
11	7.54	16.20	27	8.07	16.22
12	7.55	16.20	28	8.07	16.23
13	7.57	16.19	29	8.08	16.24
14	7.58	16.19	30	8.08	16.25
15	7.59	16.19	31	8.08	16.26
16	8.00	16.18			

Meteorological Office, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B.C.

THE ICEMAN COMETH

Legends Remain as Foreign Minister Depart

By PAULINE FREDERICK
North American Newspaper Alliance

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—The Big Four Foreign Ministers were so pleased with their stay in New York that they are expected to return for the Council Assembly here for their next meeting, after the March Moscow conference.

The departing statesmen left behind them a new collection of legends to be spoken in the nurseries of the Waldorf, now dubbed "Park Avenue Hershey" because of the headgear peculiar to diplomats. But it is not well for the Bob Dupuy's men to catch any of the hotel servants and officials — whom it treated cordially on assignment to the Big Four—talking at length to reporters about life in the tower.

Here, nevertheless, are glimpses of the lighter side of international meetings which came out from the heavily-guarded 37th floor during the six-week global party.

Foreign Minister Molotov started back in Moscow completely sold on two American products—California red wine and pumpkin pie. But one thing he does not like is American vodka.

Molotov's taste in vodka was revealed diplomatically. The Foreign Minister had a drink of the American variety at the snack bar set up outside the Council Chamber. He made no comment. A few days later, however, the head waiter received two bottles of Russian vodka.

Molotov's fondness for American wine and pumpkin pie stems from Secretary Byrnes's Thanksgiving buffet for the Big Four. A buffet is traditional for the Secretary of seating protocol. The Russian Foreign Minister asked the Secretary if he had any more wine like that in his cellar. Byrnes promptly sent a case of the pumpkin pie. Once after that he brought along the pumpkin pie—although his meals were brought in daily from the Russian Consulate 15 blocks away.

Each Big Four Minister took back with him a choice bottle from the pre-prohibition cellar of the old Waldorf—the gift of Mrs. Dallas Bowser, wife of the chairman of the board of the hotel. Molotov drew a rare Russian liqueur. Secretary Byrnes had a bottle of 40-year-old Bourbon, Secretary Bevin had Scotch liqueur, and Count de Murville was given very old chartreuse.

In addition, Bevin and De Murville each stowed away in their luggage a gallon of strawberry and vanilla ice cream packed in dry ice. The five tubs of each dessert received a five-pound box of choice chocolates.

Secretary Bevin's return home breaks up the four o'clock tea club that had become a fascinating institution on the sixth floor of the Waldorf where he had his quarters. It started two days after the Big Four session opened in November. Members of the Britons office staff decided they would each contribute a small amount to a kitty to be used for buying tea and cakes. Room service loaded the effort was so fine four nylock club brewed its own.

Bevin was in his office one day when tea was being served. When he was offered some, he said that he had not made a contribution. His staff members said that he could selling prices to rise beyond the purchasing power of domestic and foreign markets" Arthur Marriamera, Deputy Minister of Labor, wrote in a bulletin entitled "John the Bulwark of Democracy". "In proclaiming freedom and in planning for full employment, let it never be forgotten that work is meaner than freedom. Work is meaner than unrelated to moral and economic principles. Full employment means more than prosperity. It means freedom. If democracies neglect that degree of control necessary to assure full use of their resources they will sacrifice free enterprise and liberty for bread and social doctrines based on tyranny. Slave-not Wallace's phrase and mine will challenge our every ideal. Jobs are the bulwark of democracy."

OPPOSE PRISONERS' RETENTION

ST CATHARINES, Ont. Dec. 18 (CP) — A resolution viewing with alarm the Federal Government's statement that German prisoners of war would be allowed to stay in Canada after their release has passed by the Canadian Legion Branch last night. We should take care of our own before offering citizenship to men of a race responsible for the most devastating war in history," the resolution said.

Observation Car—

By G. R.

One reason the dollar all not do as much for a person as it used to be is that everybody wants to do as much for a dollar as he used to.

Into an annual address to shareholders by C. H. Carlisle, president of the Dominion Bank: "It is clear that labor organizations are not achieving the better conditions and increased security which they seek. Such a threat must be hurled against free and back of civilization is lost. Nothing could be plainer today than the fact that the strike weapon is being overworked. There cannot be permanent any abridgement of the right of everybody of property and access to same, enjoyment of stability from enacted. These things cannot be floated by mass. We must recognize the right to work to be limited by membership in any particular organization. These rights are fundamental and inalienable. Further, we cannot maintain our national economy if control of production so amend as to compel

Letters to the Editor

Letters should be addressed to the Editor. Letters must be typed, double spaced, on one side of the paper, signature and address must be given. Use initials or pseudonyms. No name should appear in the letter if it is to be published. Brevity is desirable and will be rewarded.

ELECTORS THANKED

Sir, I would like to thank the electors of Ward Four, Saanich, for their my efforts will justify the confidence they have placed in me.

E. P. CUMMINS,
Colquitz P.O., Saanich, B.C., December 14, 1946

ANOTHER VIEW

Sir,—I hope you can spare a little space for comment on the new parking regulations. They have been given a four trial and all my friends agree that it was a failure. The avowed object was to facilitate through traffic, but there is none. This is a terminal town, not a bottom. Nobody goes through on the way from A to B. People drive into town for business or shopping, and then leave again. They wish to park their cars somewhere, but that is almost impossible now, unless one is very lucky. Parallel parking is extravagant of space hard on gas, bumpers and adorning paint. Dozens of cars driven slowly around the block while the drivers look for somewhere to park cause the maximum congestion. Our street car stopping at frequent intervals in disgorge passengers in the middle of the road, are the cause of much of our trouble. Until we can get rid of them, we must put up with some traffic blocks but there have been much worse cases than this. Extra parking places were so much reduced. In the opinion of many drivers the requirement of diagonal parking in all the under roads is the best interim solution.

E. PADDON
1218 Hampshire Road, Oak Bay, B.C., December 18 1946

AIRPARK PROJECT

Sir, It is fortunate that letters to the Editor from the public are now enabled one to check the background and flying qualifications of the writers of these letters.

Up to the present, not one recognized pilot or aviation expert condemning the Gordon Head airpark project. Neither has one been found been able to forward any signed documentary evidence that would substantiate their shady claims to have numerous recognized air aspects on their side. Their inability to do this is because all the experts concerned are either members of our associations, or in principle actively supporting our endeavor.

Therefore these whole write in without qualifications, only damage themselves by advertising their lack of knowledge of the subject.

Regarding those who without any knowledge of fact, accuse us unwitting to commercialize the deeds and valor of the glorious dead (or those we say that they are simply willing to commercialize their sacrifice) we will be seen after the final details are published regarding the memorial park.

W. A. SPOTT
Chairman of Memorial Airpark Association, Victoria, B.C., December 17, 1946

HOLIDAY FOR MILKMEN

Sir, Why not a holiday for Christmas Day, will be a milkmans' holiday here and heartedness of the people to look up in advance. Generally, clean dairies and union dairies are closed on Christmas Day, as expected the dependents will follow suit.

Tides at Victoria

DECEMBER

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Time used is Pacific Standard time for the 120th Meridian west. It is obtained by adding one hour to Greenwich Mean Time. The figures for high water are distinguish high water from low water. Where there are two high or two low tides or tide recommencing during time available for publication, the figures are given. To find the height of tide at any time on the Explanatory Diagram as any time and the height is to the height of high water as above given.

Valid Ration Coupons

Butter—Nos. B29 to B35 inclusive.

Meat—M36 to M84 in new ration book.

Sugar—Nos S1 to S25 Also S26 to S48 in new book.

All expired ration book butter coupons expire December 31.

RIDER INJURED

James Bernard Doyle, HMCS Naden, suffered head injuries when his motorcycle skidded on Gorge Road near Mollie's Barbecue at 10 last night. Patrolman Bell reported. He was taken to Naden Hospital where his condition was reported to be good.

LONDON (CP)—Frank Lehar, 76 composer of "The Merry Widow" and "Land of Smiles," is coming to London to see Writer Paul Keepler about a book for a new operetta.

According to Culbertson

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The grand-slam, of course, was still a dazzle since North would have to take care of Bonita's losing lead.

West opened the queen of clubs. The blanx ace won and declarer cashed six diamond tricks, discarding two clubs and two spades from dummy. West let go two hearts and a club. East let go five spades. Now declarer led the club ace to the ace and jotted the deuce back. His object was clear: he was hoping that East had the queen and would refuse to cover. East, however, had no shame to make any such "sacrifice" and took the jack was allowed to ride, West pounced on the trick.

South should not have put his club in such a hurry. Had he that East if he had the heart queen, would fail to cover the jack. South should have cashed his last diamond and carefully watched West's discard. If West let go another club dummy's three clubs would be good. If West jettisoned the heart queen, South would have no trouble taking all three tricks in that suit. In short, the opportunity to expose West was excellent, and the mere laying down of the last diamond would have done the trick.

NORTH
♠ 8 5 4
♥ K 8
♦ K 6
♣ A K 7 4 3

WEST
♠ 3
♥ Q J6 7 4 3
♦ K 6 2
♣ Q 10 6 2

EAST
♠ K Q J 10
♥ 9 5
♦ A J 8
♣ J 8

SOUTH
♠ A
♥ A K 2
♦ Q J 10 7 3
♣ K 6

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
2 ♣	Pass	3 ♣	3 ♠
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
4 NT	Pass	Pass	5 ♠
7 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

North-South were showing aces in response to two-trick bonus South knew that he would find the ace of clubs opposite him. The

German Prisoners Will Be Given Canadian Way of Life Education

LETHBRIDGE, Alta., Dec. 19 (CP)—The last group of German prisoners of war interned in Alberta left here tonight, bound for Ontario and eventual liberation in Canada.

The prisoners left the Lethbridge internment camp which was the largest in Canada and at one time held more than 15,000 captured Axis troops.

Tonight's contingent of 50 prisoners is bound for Monteith, Ont., where they will join 100 others and receive special educational courses before being released to take up civilian employment in Canada. These 200 were selected carefully by Federal officials from thousands who applied for permission to remain in this country.

Two days ago 700 prisoners left the Lethbridge camp on the same train en route to Halifax where they will join others in the final evacuation from Canada of captured enemy troops.

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Most of these escaped but others simply disappeared and are believed to have drowned.

The final evacuation recalled that only a month and a half ago Canadian Army officials issued an appeal to Southern Albertans to co-operate in enforcing regulations covering prisoners, some 1,400 of them at bridge Internment camp which was the largest in Canada and at one time held more than 15,000 captured Axis troops.

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Referring to the appeal, The Lethbridge Herald said it had found prisoners were being "pampered" by Canadians. Army authorities said the flouting of regulations by civilians was giving them a "big headache." There were complaints prisoners were unescorted in beer parlors and in a "footlegging establishment," and there were claims some farmers bought beer to encourage the prisoners to work harder.

But almost simultaneously the last contingent of prisoners was under way prior to the evacuation of the Lethbridge camp. With all the prisoners gone, the camp will remain a military establishment until January 15, when it will be turned over to the Federal Government's War Assets Corporation.

The prisoners being sent to Monteith will be assigned to special employment after receiving indoctrination in the Canadian way of life and there are prospects they will ultimately obtain Canadian citizenship.

Thousands of the 35,000 Germans detained in Canada during the last six and a half years applied for permission to remain in Canada and more than 1,000 had their applications supported by employers for whom the captives had worked on labor projects.

In addition, the 200 who are remaining in this country, officials carefully checked each one. None with a marred record with the Canadian military was given permission to stay. Army officers said the captives being allowed to remain in Canada are highly regarded as the same conditions and opportunities apposing to Polish army veterans who came here as agricultural workers.

In most cases the Germans will be sent to work for farmers who others who had endorsed their applications for liberation in Canada and have proved satisfactory will have the opportunity of applying for Canadian citizenship after two years. Many of the 50 from the Lethbridge camp are expected to return to farm work in Southern Alberta.

Madrid Demonstration Is Franco's Challenge to U.N.

As a result of proposals before the U. Nations to recall ambassadors from Spain until the end of Franco's regime, a three-hour demonstration was staged in the heart of Madrid. Generalissimo Franco, shown at left, appeared before some 300,000 cheering Spaniards and told them that the United Nations had no right to interfere in the internal affairs of his country. Demonstrators are shown carrying their placards, one showing the British Iron, French rock and Russian bear being thrown out of Spain. Others read, "Franco, We Are at Your Orders, Against the World If You Command It!"

Marital Martial Troubles Ended

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 19 (AP).—His troubles both marital and martial, were at end today for former Pte George Bjarth, whose wife, a former Women's Army Corps sergeant, got only "suspended sentence" of one year from Judge August E. Braun, had more service ribbons than he.

On one occasion the private got mad and spanked the corporal Mrs. Bjarth testified.

Judge Braun granted her the divorce.

In reinstatement for the administration of Reinhard (the hangman) Heydrich.

J. A. POTTERLIFF DIES

WINNIPEG, Dec. 19 (CP).—John Allan Potterliff, 47, of Winnipeg president of Walker Woods Whole-sale Ltd., died in hospital here today.

Funeral services will be held Saturday.

Cross and Lion Standard Flies Again on Vessels

HALIFAX, Dec. 19 (CP).—The Cross and Lion flag of this seaside province, once a familiar sight in the far-flung ports of the world, has again been hoisted to the mast-

Nova Scotiap ships sailed everywhere. Along the United States province, once a familiar sight in trade for small cargoes, trading with the West Indies in rum, salt and lumber and with South America.

After an absence of nearly 100 years

The reversed Cross of St. Andrew and the Red Lion of Scotland today were broken to the breeze aboard the sleek, grey, 14,000-ton Canada, and County, one of a fleet of 18 Nova Scotian owned freighters which will fly the standard.

It was the picturesque square-riggers and the sleek clipper ships of Bluenose merchants that first carried the Nova Scotian flag into every port of the seven seas.

Nova Scotia stepped into the ocean trading traffic as far back as 1791 when a general trading brig was built at Yarmouth, N.S., by slave labor.

From 1800 to 1840 the shipping industry expanded quickly. Trade was begun with the West Indies and soon extended to Brazil, then overseas.

With full-set sails the larger ships sailed into Halifax harbor with cargoes from Madras and Calcutta, a trip which took a year.

Then came iron hulls and steam power and slowly the sailing ships died out in the background and with them the Nova Scotian flag disappeared from the foreign ports.

But today weather-beaten old skippers saw the clean, white standard break to the wind once again and greeted it with shrilling sirens and long whistle blasts.

The Cumberland County is one of 12 former Dominion Government-owned "Park" and "Park" ships purchased by Acadia Overseas Freighters Limited, a Halifax company. They are named after counties of Nova Scotia.

Bracken Favors Yearly Meet

TORONTO, Dec. 19 (CP).—John Bracken, Federal leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, today advocated calling of "a Dominion-Provincial conference every year, if necessary," in an address to the provincial party conference here.

"Jurisdiction is too divided between the provinces and the Dominion," he said, describing present Dominion-Provincial settlements as a piecemeal policy, "which can only bring recrimination and strife.

He said he agreed with Ontario Premier Drew and Premier Macdonald of Nova Scotia, in asking for better terms before signing an agreement.

"This is the problem that must be solved," he said. "It must not be shelved."

He would like to see a Royal Commission appointed that would "spend the people's money wisely, to reach a more satisfactory decision.

He still hoped that patience will prevail and that another conference will be called shortly and all sides amicably settled.

TORONTO, Dec. 19 (CP).—The Federal Government was urged tonight by President Drew of Ontario to recommend the Dominion-Provincial conference

In an address to the annual convention of the Ontario Progressive-Conservative Party, Premier Drew said it was absolutely necessary that the conf ...ces recommend "not only to discr the financial measures but also to lay the basis for those wider examinations of the various health and social security proposals which have been put forward by all the Governments, so that the necessary statistical information may be available to proceed with the examination of possible arrangements in those fields."

CARD TELLS TALE

PORT CREDIT, Ont., Dec. 19 (CP).—If you intend to buy a policeman on the hard—don't leave your calling card. This was the experience of a nearby York Township resident. Wednesday Police said he was hailed him almost in a cell after arrest in connection with a careless driving charge when he struck a schoolchild in the eye and ran out. Unfortunately for him the tablet was found out of his pocket and he was later rearrested.

Coal Output In B.C. Down 22 Per Cent

British Columbia's coal production in November decreased by 22 per cent in comparison with output for the corresponding month last year, according to statistics issued by the chief inspector of mines yesterday.

Vancouver Island mines' output fell from 50,000 long tons in 1945 to 42,965, last month, all major producers showing a decrease except White Rapids Mine, which increased its output from 6,415 tons to 6,500.

Total production for the province was 97,517 long tons compared with 125,823 in November of the last year. Biggest decrease was in the East Kootenay district, where the total was 46,687 tons, as against 71,208 in November last year; in the Nicola-Princeton and Northern districts, both showed small gains in production.

POSTAL BUSINESS BETTER

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18 (AP).—Postal business here is far better than a half-century ago. Postal receipts exceeded $200,000 for the first time in the history on a single day yesterday, $203,762, to be exact, Postmaster Michael Panning said it topped the entire year's revenue in 1896.

New Year's Eve Prices High For Night Out in New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (CP).—If you'd like to take your girl, or your wife, out on the town in Manhattan New Year's Eve, it probably will cost you a neat little pile of folding money—say about $125.

This may be the last year of the easy-come, easy-go wartime spending boom, as some of the night life pundits believe, but the prices quoted for this year-end celebration show no signs of receding.

You could start the evening with dinner at the Colony, one of the swankiest of the East Side eateries, where the usual a la carte prices will prevail and where you should be sure of at least a glimpse of Mrs. Astorbilt along with the entree. The dinner tab probably would be about $25 for two.

Then you might take in one of the reigning Broadway hits, possibly Ingrid Bergman's "Joan of Lorraine" or Alfred Hermann's "Annie Get Your Gun." Orchestra seats for two—$19.30.

The curtain comes down about 11:15, where will just give you time to hustle into a taxi for Mr. Weston's the night club with the Zebra stripes and the sophisticated cabaret.

The tariff there for a couple is $35, which entitles you to a table guaranteed to be at least large enough to hold two glasses, supper, a paper hat, noisemakers and atmosphere.

The last may get a little thick as the morning wears on.

Note that such items as tips and, yes, drinks, are not included in the $35. The chances of your bill being less than $75 are slim.

Add the cost of taxis and other essentials, and the $125 estimate seems reasonable.

F. Rose Appeal Verdict Today

MONTREAL, Dec. 19 (CP).—Fred Rose, 39-year-old member of Parliament from Montreal, Cartier, will learn tomorrow the judges' verdict of his appeal against a Court of King's Bench conviction on a charge of conspiring to communicate information illegally to the Soviet Union.

Five judges of the Appeals Court will render the decision on Rose, Labor-Progressive member for Montreal-Cartier, convicted last June and sentenced to six years in penitentiary. Leave to appeal the sentence also has been granted the Polish-born member but his bail not yet been heard.

Rose's political status may rest on the decision. He still holds his Commons seat for the near-end, working-class Montreal riding and could be expected to resume it if the appeal is granted.

If the decision is against him, however, the judgment would be conveyed to the Speaker of the Commons who at the next session likely would read it to the members. Then a motion likely would be moved that the seat be declared vacant and the decision would be left to the House.

Rose, who has been detained without bail in nearby Bordeaux Jail since his sentencing also faces a second charge that of communicating information to Russia. There have been suggestions this charge may be dropped if the appeal is disposed of but there has been no official announcement.

Infant Mortality Down Sharply

"It is encouraging to note that with the large increase in births the infant and maternal mortality rates have decreased very appreciably," says the November bulletin of the Department of Health and Welfare.

Sixty-six deaths under one year of age in October gave a death rate of 32.18 per 1,000 live births, in comparison with 39.83 in October last year. Infant mortality rate for the first ten months of the year is considerably lower, however, amounting to 39.4 per 1,000.

There have been very few maternal deaths in the past few months, the bulletin says—only one in October, as against five in October, 1945. The rate for the first ten months was 1.46 per 1,000 live births, compared with 2.37 in the same period of 1945.

The November bulletin gives prominence to an article on infant mortality as a problem of first importance to the public health field. It draws attention to the fact that even today in British Columbia almost as many die in the first year of life as during the next 30 years.

Georgia Governor Critically Ill

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 19 (AP).—Dodgeria Gerdie, "a-tree-and-a-say" governor-elect, Eugene Talmadge, lay tonight in near-critical condition from a recurring stomach ailment.

The wiry, 62-year-old farmer-lawyer, who won the Democratic nomination last Summer by stating his determination to bar Negroes from the ballot box in Georgia, was conscious but dangerously ill. Members of his family were summoned after a fresh setback last night, and although he rallied slightly after two blood transfusions, anxiety was expressed by friends. The next 48 hours were regarded as decisive.

Divorce Rate Still Soaring For Province

British Columbia's divorce rate is still soaring.

The November bulletin of the Department of Health and Welfare, issued yesterday, says the number of decrees granted in the first ten months of this year was 87 per cent higher than the figure for 1945. Total at the end of October stood at 1,614, compared with 865 for the whole of last year.

Decrees granted in October numbered 196, compared with 87 in the corresponding month of 1945.

Illegitimate births also continue to increase, the bulletin says. One hundred were registered in October, as against 63 during the corresponding month last year, and for the first ten months of the year the total of 922 is equal to that for the whole of 1945.

Marriages have also increased by over 2,000 registrations during the ten-month period, an increase of 33 per cent. In October, 1,178 marriages were registered, in comparison with 883 in October, 1945, showing an increase in rate from 11.5 to 15 per 1,000 population.

Registration of births increased sharply, with a total of 3,064 in October, giving a birth rate of 26.25 per 1,000. This monthly rate is just slightly lower than the all-time record established in July of this year, when 3,096 registrations gave a rate of 26.8.

Total registration of births from January to October stands at 17,500, compared with 15,418 to October 31 last year.

Deaths show only a slight increase each month. In October 805 registrations gave a death rate of 10.28, compared with 770 deaths in October, 1945, representing a rate of 10.13.

Natural increase in October amounted to 1,249 persons, while the total increase for the ten months of 1946 was 3,734, exceeding the greatest natural increase in any preceding year.

Lidice Survivors Arrive in London

LONDON, Dec. 19 (Reuters).—Three child survivors of the Lidice massacre were among 40 Czechoslovak orphans who arrived here today with Christmas toys for orphaned British children, after flying from Prague in a trip financed by funds they raised themselves.

The orphans, whose ages ranged between 11 and 15, almost all are children of persons who were killed with the Czech resistance movement. They will give ballet and choir shows in Britain to cover their expenses.

The village of Lidice in Bohemia was razed on Hitler's orders in 1942 as a reprisal for the assassination of Reinhard (the hangman) Heydrich.

Life in Modern British Hotel Expensive but Not Very Cosy

LONDON, Dec. 19 (CP).—Englishmen read without optimism that the Board of Trade is to make more goods available to hotels.

A British hotel room is compared for with diligence achieved with triumph and held briefly. As a rule it is little more than a roof and a bard bed. Except in the most pretentious hotels, "expensive" means anything up to £5 ($20) a night—all the cozy assets such as a fire in the grate and a bottomless drink at bedtime belong to legend.

In the modern British hotel, you're lucky if you get a small sliver of soap. The water will be cold most days, all day, and negotiations with the maid for a towel had better be started early or the lazy guess will begin looking for the curtains to dry his screaming face—and find there aren't any curtains.

Some hotel men are apologetic but there's a crusty air about many others, a take-it-or-leave-it attitude which travelers say was developed during the war when gruff answers were needed to turn away determined servicemen on holiday.

The hotelkeepers—some of them at least—have given up the struggle to find someone to clean their windows, repair bedsteads, disentangle bunked tables and chairs or fulfill the high hopes of those who laid their alone outside their doors on retiring with a memory that once shoes left that way found polished in the morning.

The crystal of what the Board of Trade proposed to give hotels under peacetime conditions indicates the trials of hotelkeepers in maintaining any kind of service.

Hotels should be given priority in allocations of new equipment, hotels with equipment unserviceable due to wartime life lifting service and those of special importance in attracting overseas visitors are those affected.

They will receive maximum essential needs for bedding, curtain materials and upholstery cloth, linoleum and certain items of utility furniture such as beds, divans and easy chairs. Tubs will be issued only to establishments catering to overseas visitors.

The hotels will have to fend for themselves in obtaining carpets, crockery, glassware, cutlery and other unrationed items in a highly competitive market with high prices.

Psychic Angle To Sea Story

LIVERPOOL, England, Dec. 19 (CP).—A strange story of a double tragedy at sea, a story with a psychic angle was told today by a crew member aboard the 2,400-ton freighter Beatrix.

Last September off Genoa, Clarence A. Laurie, a cook aboard the Cunard Line ship disappeared mysteriously.

While in the Mediterranean and on the Barbrisa's next trip the new cook, Frank McNaught, also disappeared.

"Each cook vanished during the night and nobody knows how," said one member of the crew. "Neither man had any trouble that we know of and no enemy on the ship."

The crew member said that when someone called on Laurie's wife in Bradford to notify her of his disappearance the woman said, before the caller could speak

"Don't tell me I know he's gone. I saw it in a vision through a spiritualist."

REALLY A "DUTCH" FLIGHT

POL. GN. Mont. Dec. 19 (AP).—Student Pilot Orrin Larson, on his second solo flight, ran into a flock of ducks. The impact smashed an a wing and caused lesser damage to the plane, but Larson landed safely for a perfect landing. The instructor gave him a grade of "A."

Social and Personal

Mr. William Philip, of Victoria, is visiting in Vancouver a guest at the Hotel

Mr. H. Bunting, of Tzouhalem

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Kelly, Langford Lake, for a short time this week.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Becombe of Montreal, arrived in Victoria yesterday morning to spend the holiday season with Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Allan Barker (64 Battery Street).

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Lieut.-Cmdr. and Mrs. T. C. Brock are living at Sidney, U.K. after being guests at the Angela Hotel since Lieut.-Cmdr. Brock's return aboard H.M.C.S. Warrior.

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Dr. and Mrs. Saul Boswell will leave Vancouver on Monday to spend Christmas in the city and while here they will be guests at the Empress Hotel.

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Miss Ethne Alice Savage is expected to arrive in Victoria by plane from New York on Saturday, and will spend a two-week vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Savage, Grange Road.

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Commander and Mrs. P. S. Fife, who have been staying at the Angela Hotel since the former's arrival in H.M.C.S. Warrior have now taken up residence at the Clive Apartments, Oak Bay Avenue.

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Miss Maureen Leggatt, Mexico City, who is a student at Queen Margaret's School, left on Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baillarzeon and her cousins in Seattle.

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Mr. Justice Joseph Maclean is arriving tomorrow from Edmonton to spend the Yuletide season with Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson, Gonzales Drive, and relatives in Victoria. Judge Maclean is still stay at the Dominion Hotel.

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Miss Barbara Beale, who is on the teaching staff of the Prince Rupert schools, will return to the city on Sunday to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Beale (125 Franklin Terrace.

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Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Brink were visitors in the city this week staying at the Angela Hotel, and have now returned to their home in Seattle accompanied by their young son who is attending Clover Leaf School.

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Mrs. George V. Balter with her little son Randy arrived yesterday from Montreal. Mr. Balter motored from the East and will join his family here at the week-end. They will be the guests of Mr. Balter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Balter, Park Towers, Vancouver Street for the Christmas holidays.

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A no-host dinner party will be held at the Empress Hotel this evening prior to the Christmas dance at Victoria College. Those attending will be the Misses Diana Aylmer, Patricia Greenhill, Joan Haldane, Shirley Clements and Mary Patterson, Mr. Mike Powell, Mr. Peter Jones, Mr. John Preston, Mr. David Leech and Mr. Jack Pangle.

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Mrs. Hermann M. Robertson, Cliffe Drive, entertained yesterday afternoon at a "Dinner tea party" in honor of Mrs. Harry Adams (Phyllis Martin) Mrs. James Watson, (Jessie Frost) and Mrs. R. M. Hope (Beatrix Hunter), all members of prominent Victoria families who have returned to spend their first Christmas here in many years. About 30 guests were present.

Girl Guide Notes

Guides from the five companies of the central district wound up the years activities by meeting for songs and carols round an impromptu campfire in St. Barnabas' Church hall, December 16. Miss D. Hine, north provincial commissioner and Miss M. Pannah, commissioner for training were present. The provincial commissioner told a Christmas story, and presented prizes to the winning patrols for a patrol corner competition and the district competition. Mrs. N. Emmerton, gave some hints to start a district library. Refreshments were served by the local association. The Guides and Brownies of the district have been very busy sending parcels and individual gifts to 50 Guides of the fifth Chelsea and 4th Ilford Companies, and 52 Brownies of the 3rd North Sydenham, 12th Hammersmith and 15th Westminster Packs, all of London. The Guides, Guides and Brownies of the central district would like to take this opportunity of wishing all their sister Guides and Brownies, everywhere, a very happy Christmas and good Guiding in 1947.

Engagements

The engagement is announced between Blanche Mae Greenhalgh Bridgman, only daughter of Mrs. J. M. Bridgman of 1070 Davie Street, Victoria, B.C., and the late Mr. O. H. Bridgman, of Wadena, Sask. to Thomas Henry Smith, of Victoria only son of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Smith of Harrow, England. The wedding to take place in Victoria December 28th, 1946 at 8.30 p.m.

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Returns From Extended Visit in the U.S.

Mrs. R.B. Tullis, wife of Cmdr. A. J. Tullis, R.C.N.(R.), returned to Victoria last week after an extended visit of International Centres in the United States.

"The same spirit of unity obtains, following a war has begun again," says Mrs. Tullis, "and there is every evidence that it will be on a large scale. I feel very encouraged, I hope, to break down prejudices and misunderstanding," she added.

Mrs. Tullis was a guest at Michigan University, where 650 foreign students are studying at the International Student Centre. She also revisited the well-known International Houses of New York, Chicago and Berkeley, built by John D. Rockefeller after the Great War in order that "brotherhood might prevail."

Universities the country over are establishing International Centres, Mrs. Tullis found.

Mrs. Tullis attended a plenary session of the United Nations Assembly and was impressed by the general air of optimism that prevailed among the delegates.

She visited her former residence in historical old Deerfield, Mass., and her old Alma Mater, Smith College, in Northampton. Smith College was a pioneer in establishing a junior year in France after the last war and has now established an exchange with Toronto University and a junior year at Geneva, Switzerland.

Judge Manley O. Hudson, a recent member of the Court of International Justice at The Hague and who visited Geneva last Summer, told Mrs. Tullis when she was in New York that Malvern International Conference at Bradfield was the only student house of its kind in operate during the war and is continuing to receive students now coming there again. The Malvern International Conference was organized and directed by Cmdr. and Mrs. Tullis in conjunction with the University of Geneva until the outbreak of war in 1939.

Photo by Dennis Manning.

Children's Party To Be Held Aboard H.M.C.S. Ontario

Children of personnel of H.M.C.S. Ontario and a group of orphans will be entertained at a Christmas party aboard the ship on Saturday afternoon. A varied program has been arranged with Santa Claus and a magician, with refreshments being served during the afternoon.

A special street car will leave for the naval base from the corner of Douglas and Broad Streets at 1:45 p.m. for anyone wishing transportation.

Women's Institutes

At the annual meeting of Craigflower W.I., the following officers were re-elected for a second term: Mrs. Rich Wellford, president, Mrs. Ivy Waring, vice-president, Mrs. Joyce Albany, secretary-treasurer, Mrs. D. Kaiser and Mrs. M. McColl, directors. The sum of $5 was voted to the Victoria Welfare Association. The Christmas party is to be held on December 27 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Royal Oak Community Hall.

Auxiliary Holds Annual Banquet

The Junior Auxiliary to the British Columbia Protestant Orphanage held their annual banquet at Christ Church Hotel on Tuesday evening. After dinner, Miss Jean Dumerton, accompanied by Miss Dorothy Harding at the piano, sang several selections, and the members sang carols and played games during the evening. Miss Jocelyn McGraw presented the retiring president, Miss Elizabeth Mackie with a token of appreciation from the members. Miss Audrey Cridge, assisted by Misses Phyllis Mugford and Margaret Nelson, were in charge of arrangements.

Nanaimo Women Seek Information On Cold Waves

Nanaimo Local Council of Women passed a resolution at their regular meeting, Monday afternoon, to be sent to Provincial Council and the National Council of Women of Canada, asking them to investigate cold-wave hair preparations to ascertain if any of the ingredients contained in them cause other reactions than to provide good hair grooming.

The action followed discussion in the local council here and the reading of an article which appeared in a November, 1946, edition of an American popular magazine on cold waves.

The delegate from Nanaimo Council of Women will not only convey the resolution to the next Provincial meeting, but will carry a copy of the article and magazine which prompted the resolution.

Christmas Dinner For Elderly Women

The board of directors of the YWCA entertained 114 elderly women at a Christmas dinner at noon on Wednesday. The arrangements for the party were made by the dietitian and dining-room committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. H. B. Howard.

The guests were welcomed by Dr. Olga Jardine, president of the YWCA, and following the Christmas dinner, they sat entertained by a showing of films through the courtesy of the Provincial Government, and by vocal solos by Mrs. W. H. Wilson, accompanied by Mrs. C. Conyers. Each guest received a Christmas gift before leaving.

This annual event is made possible partly through private donations from interested friends and clubs of the city.

Preserves Available For Coupon Listed

WARTIME Prices and Trade Board officials in Vancouver issued yesterday a reminder of preserves obtainable for one sugar preserves ration coupon, now that canned fruits are again available in the retail trade.

For one sugar preserves coupon, the following items are: 1 pound by purchased jam, jelly, marmalade; 24 fluid ounces, cut comb honey; 4 pounds net extracted honey; 16 fluid ounces 24 pounds high honey butter; 3 pounds maple syrup; 16 fluid ounces maple sugar; 4 pounds molasses, 20 fluid ounces (2 quarts), corn syrup, cane syrup, blended table syrup; 20 fluid ounces, and fruitadin fruitade and pie fillers containing 66 per cent or more of water soluble solids. 24 fluid ounces.

Royal Family Attend Wedding At St. Margaret's

LONDON, Dec. 18 — (Diana Dewar Hon. Com.) — The 22-year-old Countess of Errroll was married today to Capt. Ian Mancerciffe, of the Scots Guards, with Queen Elizabeth and Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret Rose in lavish ceremonies at St. Margaret's Church, Westminster.

Capt. Mancerciffe, 21 is attached to the British Embassy in Moscow.

The Countess who was piped into the church by the Scots Guards bagpipers, is hereditary Lord High Constable of Scotland. Her father, Josslyn Victor Hay, 22nd Earl of Kinnoul, whom she succeeded to the titles, was found shot to death in an automobile near Nairobi, Kenya Colony, in 1941.

Societies

The Jill Tar Club will hold a Christmas party at the YWCA on Saturday at 2 p.m., when each member is asked to bring a gift for her own children.

At the meeting of the Metropolitan Women's Missionary Society on Monday afternoon, Mrs. T. B. Atkins, assisted by Mrs. H. B. Morse and Mrs. W. B. Milburn, presented a musical program entitled 'Around the World With Story and Song'. The officers for the ensuing year were elected. Mrs. H. E. McColl continuing as president. Mrs. A. E. Whitehouse presented a life membership certificate to Mrs. C. F. Wharton.

For Brides-Elect

Honoring Miss Joan Crawford, who recently arrived from Shipenbury, Shropshire, England, and is to be married this month, her future sister-in-law Mrs. Clifford B. Balsam entertained last evening at a miscellaneous shower. The party was held at the home of Mrs. A. W. Bateson, 1194 Vining Street. The prettily gifts were attached to a gaily decorated Christmas tree. The guests were Mrs. H. B. Kelly, Mrs. A. W. Bateson, Mrs. H. W. Kelly, Mrs. A. H. Kelly, Mrs. D. H. Gordon, Mrs. J. Lacey and Misses Margaret Kelly, Betty Kelley and Ida Blanco.

Members of St. Mary's A.Y.P.A. held a short business meeting after which tea was arranged to be sent to the missions for Christmas. Upon the departure of Miss Vida Alcock from the branch, Miss Wilma Renaud will take over the duties of corresponding secretary. The next meeting will be held on January 8 — and an executive meeting on January 3.

Lily Pons Feels Hunger Ruined Europe's Voices

By MARY ROBERTS HARRIBON
North American Newspaper Alliance

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18—Hunger has laid a crippling hand on the opera and concert stages in Europe according to Met Coloratura Lily Pons, who returned to America for a visit to her native France.

"I can say that there is one great artist in Europe now, and that is because of the starvation and cold during the war. The theatres and operas in France are full," she said "and I don't think they were ever closed. But instruments outdo singers all over Europe today. Even in Italy—a country where everybody sings from childhood—there are not many fine voices now."

Miss Pons believes that malnutrition has so affected singers' vocal chords that they no longer can command the power and resonance demanded of a top-flight voice.

The Met star finds it very difficult to sing opera in English. She thinks it should be sung in the language in which it was written. Otherwise the thoughts of the author are lost in translation.

"People now want opera in English and that is a mistake," she said. "They don't have to understand the words. They should come to hear music. Opera sung in languages of which I do not understand is word-out. I read the story of the opera before I go."

Asked about Hollywood and plans she may have, to make a motion picture diminutive star replied that she would prefer to make a movie in Europe because she thinks she is better understood there than in Hollywood.

A Traditional Christmas

FOOD for holiday feasting is a revered tradition in every land. Centre of interest on the menu is always a juicy-brown roast turkey bursting with stuffing and served with rich brown gravy, cranberry sauce, fluffy mashed potatoes and vegetables.

Each family's preference may vary like kind of stuffing, the type of gravy, the selection of vegetables and relishes or the array of dessert, but the traditional dinner of roast turkey and "trimmings" will always be one of our most cherished customs.

POULTRY STUFFING

One-third cup butter
½ cup chopped onions
10 slices white bread, cubed
2 teaspoons salt
6 shredded wheat biscuits, crumbled
½ teaspoon pepper.
2 tablespoons top milk

Melt butter, add onion and cook until tender. Combine with white bread cubes, crumbled shredded wheat, salt, pepper and milk. Toss lightly with fork. Stuffing swells during baking, so pack lightly. Makes enough stuffing for a six-pound bird. For one of our most cherished customs.

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At the Theatres

"Texas Jamboree" Stars The Hoosier Hotshots

Columbia Pictures' "That Texas Jamboree," lensed in the studio's series of big-time action musicals, is coming to the Dominion Theatre today. The Hoosier Hotshots from the Western Barn Dance, Ken Curtis, Jeff Donnell, Andy Clyde, Guitar Slim Rogers, Robert Stevens, the Dunning Sisters, Dwan Springtime and his band with the Plainsmen and Carolina Cotton are the featured performers. The screenplay, written by J. Benton Cheney, was directed by Ray Nazarro.

ATLAS THEATRE A story with a surprise at every turn, "Little Mister Jim," is the show starting at the Atlas Theatre screen for M-O-M with all the color of a circus parade and all the drama of an army at zero hour. Also, it is as typically practical-American as an urchin catching apples from the vast orchard of the precarious old pinhill-era around the corner. Surrounding "Butch" in this warmly human tale of a spirited boy at a prewar military post is a group of able players headed by James Craig and Frances Gifford.

CAPITOL THEATRE The story of "Waltz Time," now at the Capitol Theatre, revolves around the romantic complications of the lovely Empress Maria (Carole Bayes) and her driver-beau, while a handsome Captain of the Guard in turn rules her heart. However, she cannot marry him because of the royal succession, so the Empress uses all of her royal prerogative to crack up a scheme to achieve her end. Carole Bayes is seen in the action-filled Emperor, Peter Graves as her doughty cavalier.

DAK BAY THEATRE It seems that every time one turns around Hollywood has grabbed another murder-mystery yarn and the heart-thrilling tale and unravelling it for the screen. Now, "The Walls Came Tumbling Down," the sensational novel by Jo Eisinger, has been made into a photoplay and is showing at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatre, starring Lee Bowman and Marguerite Chapman. The pair pivots about the crime hunt of a pair of missing Bibles.

ROYAL THEATRE Cinema is the eternal female who could never be less than shine. Completely unassuming and unpredictable, she lives in what might be best described as a state of perpetual emotion. She is a kind indeed, a series of trials that keep their world-be pleria oblivious existence in a constant furor of almost ecstatic excitement. This entertaining film is now at the Royal Theatre.

RIO THEATRE Walter Wanger's fabulous Technicolor production "Night in Paradise" is now at the Rio Theatre starring Merle Oberon and Turhan Bey. Like his other stories, "Night in Paradise," starts with an unusual basis. It is a chapter in the life of Aesop, fable teller of ancient Greece. Keep in the elaborate supporting cast are Gale Sondergaard, Ray Collins, Ernest Truex, George Dolenz and Jerome Cowan. Ernest Pascal wrote the screenplay. Arthur Ripley directed.

YORK THEATRE How love works a miracle in the lives of two lonely recluses forms the romantic theme of "The Enchanted Cottage," RKO Radio's starring vehicle for Dorothy McGuire, Robert Young and Herbert Marshall and now showing at the York Theatre. Miss McGuire portrays a girl in a small New England village whose exceptional plainness has made her something of an outcast, while Young is cast as an Army flyer with crippled and disfigured in a bombed crash, has settled in the village to get away from his family's mistaken sympathy.

Turkey Supply Extremely Low

Advice to Victorians who are looking forward to that turkey dinner at Christmas first your dealer immediately to determine whether or not he can fill your order.

B. William president of the Victoria Fund Broiler Marketing Association, said last night that because exceptional shipments of Prairie turkeys were expected at the last minute the supply has reached an alarmingly low ebb there will be enough to go around.

Many dealers in Greater Victoria have been enthusiastic will not be able to fill. Mr. Williams said. Only five carloads of Prairie turkeys have been received here whereas dealers were booking on three to four times that mark.

To those who have not yet placed their turkey, Mr. Williams extended little hope. There might be a few around but it will be a lucky person who gets one after today," he said.

Drill Team Praised for Work By Mayor at Annual Concert

The tap adagio dancers and the corps a possible 800, was awarded first prize in the annual concert of the Victoria Drill Team at Victoria High School.

Last night a rousing march by the drill team, led by Mayor Percy George, moved swiftly to a precision display by the girls, nattily attired in their sparkling uniforms.

Next was a wide variety of presentations of vocal and instrumental solos, individual, duo and group dancing by the girls of the team and outside talent.

To conclude the entertainment, a special 36-girl choir, made up of girls from the drill team, sang three carols. Mr. Bixby was director.

Mayor Percy George was then called to the stage to award prizes to the girls of the drill team for attendance and good work during the past year.

Pat Smith, with 851 points out of a possible 860, was awarded first prize by the mayor. Irene Hall, Yvonne French, Margaret Holt and Bonnie Hearshorne were next in line.

Mayor George paid tribute to the publicity the team had brought to Victoria and Vancouver Island in their appearances in cities in the through diligent practice and transferring work done by Captain Norman Foster in training the team since its inception.

Victoria is extremely proud of to come very beautiful girls, and the cert was Darl Wile. Viola Wills directed the program.

Ward Fun Group Elects H. E. Ker

H. E. Ker was last night unanimously elected president of the Ward Four Provincial Progressive Conservative Association at its annual meeting. F. Moorehead was named vice-president, and Miss P. J. Biggar, secretary-treasurer.

Named to the provincial executive were F. Moorehead, Miss Kathleen Agnew, Mrs. A. P. Brochar, Waldo Skillings, H. Clear and Miss P. J. Biggar.

C. R. Mullingway and Percy Payne acted as chairmen during the meeting.

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Your Daily Forecast

By EDWARD A. WAGNER

PLANETARY DAILY GUIDE FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1946

Keywords: for the Day: Economy. Watchfulness.

pretty much to mislead anyone into acting moderately. Quite a certain [illegible] evening when a change of pace may [illegible] party part of your year, but you

be noticeable, together with a more optimistic outlook. News, cards, letters can be inspiring and opportune now.

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come into your life later and experience some desirable changes of environment and outlook. Correspondence develops opportunities.

—Released by Consolidated News Features, Inc.

WINDSOR, Ont., Dec. 18.—(CP)—General sessions jury disagreed tonight in the trial of three officials of the United Automobile Workers (CIO) charged with conspiracy

the charges arise from the seizing of the Windsor office of the Canadian Congress of Labour in January

How It Started

By JEAN NEWTON

TO GO THE WHOLE HOG

This metaphor is put, as was once thought, an Americanism, but hails from old Ireland.

In the Emerald Isle "hog" was slang for a shilling. And anybody who spent a whole shilling at one

gone the whole hog.

The 18th century English poet William Cowper, helped the saying on its way to modern usage in his "Love of the World Reproved". In this verse work, the poet plays upon the story of Mohammed's forbidding the faithful to eat one portion of the hog without specifying which part be prohibited. It followed that devout Moslems ate no pork at all.

"Hoggish a case

The latter began, it seems, to

eschewing the portions they did not care for. Of them it was said:

"With sophistry their sauce they sweeten
'Til quite from tail to snout 'tis raisin'."

Eventually, it seems, they went the whole hog!

—Released by Jean Newton.

SHEFFIELD (CP)—Sheffield Repertory Company plans to build a

stage plays and movies

Winch Protests Discontinuance Of Licence Rebate

A strong protest against the Provincial Government's announced decision to discontinue the 20 per cent rebate on motor licence fees was lodged with Premier John Hart yesterday by Harold E. Winch, C.C.F. Opposition leader.

He pointed out that British Columbia at present is paying a very high rate in comparison with the rest of North America.

Mr. Winch took the stand that there should be no increase in fees on the ground that it should be on the basis of ability to pay, instead of using the motor vehicle revenue from

year was lodged with Premier John

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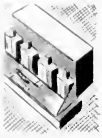

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SECOND NEWS SECTION

NO. 9—EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR — VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1946

Maple Leafs Gain On Idle Canadiens

Turn Back Detroit, 3-1, to Move Three Points Ahead in N.H.L.—Taylor-Mecker in Slugfest

HOW THEY STAND

	W	L	T	P	A	Pts
Toronto	14	5	4	81	55	32
Canadiens	13	8	2	72	50	28
Boston	9	8	7	65	57	25
Rangers	13	3	3	81	75	19
Detroit	7	14	5	71	94	19
Chicago	6	13	3	61	81	14

Last night—score Toronto 3, Detroit 1.

Next games—Saturday, Boston at Canadiens, Chicago at Toronto.

TORONTO, Dec. 19 (CP)—Toronto Maple Leafs strengthened their grip on first place in the National Hockey League tonight when they defeated Detroit Red Wings 3-1.

The Leafs rolled to a two-goal lead in the first period and got another tally in the second before the Red Wings who had played at Chicago last night, came through with a third period score which thwarted Goalie Turk Broda's try for his fourth shutout of the league season. Attendance was 12,804.

The Leafs had the services of Left Wing Vic Lynn, and Managing Director Conn Smythe said he would be on three or four weeks with a shoulder separation suffered in a first-period brush with Defenceman Doug McCaig, who received an interference penalty on the play.

A fast fight between Billy Taylor, former Leaf, and Ronnie Mosker blended the closing minutes of the game. They drew minor penalties for their clash on the ice and as soon as they hit the penalty bench they were at it again and didn't stop until police intervened. They drew misconduct penalties for the penalty-box fight.

Detroit Mowers J. Stewart, Jackson Atkt; Brimsek, Lindsay, Buhr, Dewsbury, McCaig, Lundy, Taylor, Conacher, Gauthier, Horeck, Doran, Lamb, Howe.

Toronto—Broda, Boesch, Stanuszek, Kennedy, Mercer, Lynn, Smith, Mortson, Thomson, Polle, D. Meric, G. Stewart, N. Meric, Apps, Ward, Kowalchuk, Kinkaid.

Referee—Frank Udvari, Linesmen—Jim Primeau, Eddie Mepham.

SUMMARY

First Period—1, Toronto, Mortson (N. Meric) 10 Metz, 12.11. 2, Toronto, Kinkaid, N. Meric, 14.06 Penalties—McCaig, Thomson.

Second Period—3, Toronto, Polle (D. Meric, Kennedy) 5.18. Penalties, Kennedy, Howe, 2; Jackson.

Third Period 4 Detroit, J. Stewart (Howe, Lindsay) 1.00. Penalties—Taylor (minor and misconduct), Mosker (minor and misconduct).

Mutuel Handle On U.S. Tracks Sets New Mark

By ED PEDER

NEW YORK, Dec 18 (AP)—Horse-race betting moved up close to the two-billion-dollar business bracket in the United States this year, but indications were the gross may be getting tired lacking golden eggs and is on the way back to producing just the usual or garden variety.

The annual Associated Press racing roundup showed 24,958,500 fans tossed a total of $1,920,267,455 into the mutuel machines in 19 of the 20 states where the horses run, compared to $1,325,818,356 bet by 18,432,781 customers in 1945, and that the state and a few city treasuries benefited by $113,504,325.20 in revenue as against $85,285,405.46 a year ago.

The chief reason for the big hump was that racing got back on a full peacetime schedule of 2,862 operating days after its war-rationed 1,708 in 1945.

In New York, because of a brand new extra five per cent bite from the mutuels, the state took in 15 per cent the total city, state and track take—wagering fell off from $426,823,190 in 1945 to $406,105,748 this year.

The California customers shovelled $409,038,946 into the iron men on a peacetime schedule of 287 racing days, compared to $152,394,463 in 100 afternoons in 1945.

The longest hop in average bettor was made by Florida where the daily handle skyrocketed from $385,855 to $903,460.

Navy Showing Against Army 1946 Surprise

NEW YORK, Dec 18 (AP)—Brenty Brown, an sports lottery ticket Navy's football performance against Army in the Philadelphia football game on Nov 23 "pooch-surprised" 1946

Brenty betting by 21-16 after being stopped on the three-yard line in the final minute of play, drew 20 first-place ballots in The Associated Press year-end poll.

Second place went to Bi Louis Cardinals defeat at Boston Red Sox in baseball world series. Twenty-one first-place votes went in the Cards' direction.

Various other surprises of the world series also came in for attention, including Red Williams' failure to hit—mentioned by five experts. Dick's home runs, Harry Brechen's pitching and Enos Slaughter's running.

Blind Wrestler Writes Song For Son He Has Never Seen

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Dec 18 (CP)—A blind wrestler who can write his song with top-flight heavyweights before a ring mirror claimed his night. Kevin Quackenbush hopes to buy a little farm with proceeds from a song he has dedicated to a young man he has never seen.

The 27-year-old former grappler turned to song writing when City Council here refused him a permit to operate a newspaper stand on a busy street corner.

His musical effort, if it Could See Him, is dedicated to his son and the number has been aired from radio stations in both Canada and the United States. He has hopes national networks will carry the number and provide revenue for a chicken ranch to support his child.

Kevin bears no grudge against the sport which cost him his vision and he now starting over again. Blind and bad his choice I'd be a wrestler.

Unable to wrestle for several years Cupolo says it was council action in rejecting his bid for a newsstand which led to his song writing. An ardent radio fan, he listened to many stories of how new songs and numbers get financial success which gave him the idea.

Thinking of his child as he wrote it, if I could See You, the wrestler showed the finished product to a Toronto orchestra leader who promised to use it on one of his programs.

Meanwhile Ernest Whittler, conductor of a program over a Niagara Falls radio station, sang the number and when Ralph Hubbell, Buffalo, N.Y. sportsman, heard it he sent for Cupolo and presented him to the musical director of his station, who backed the song for future production.

Hold Shoot Sunday

An event of interest to gun artists will be the Victoria Gun Club's Christmas shoot at the Albert Head grounds on Sunday. Competition is open to visitors and will begin at 10 a.m. Club officials have a good supply of ammunition and targets on hand and are expecting a large group of contestants. Refreshments will be served.

Thrilling Hoop Action at Madison Square Garden

BASKETBALL, the infant among major sports, continues to increase in popularity each year and new box-office records are being set every day. The game kept the catch the public eye on a nationwide scale when Ned Irish began bringing the top college teams to New York for double-headers in famous Madison Square Garden and the promotion took with the sports fans. There is some of the action which makes the game a thrilling spectator sport. Milt Bronfman's Chib College goes down after taking a pass in a contest against Montana Lou Rochelle, Montana makes a desperate effort to intercept. Lou passed the ball. The New Yorkers went on to win the lightning-fast match, 78-61.

Flooring Problem Ends Kinsmen Cage Program

Plans for the Kinsmen Club to provide Victoria sports fans with outstanding cage attractions this season apparently came to an abrupt end at a meeting of the club last night due to the continuing problem of diverting the necessary flooring from the veterans housing program.

Use of the Bay Street Armory had been promised for at least 12 playing nights and tentative plans were already made for the appearance of touring clubs, including the popular Harlem Globetrotters, the annual Kinsmen Invitational Tournament and the staging of several regularly scheduled Pacific Coast pro fixtures, featuring the Vancouver Hornets, with six ex-Victorians on their line-up.

Necessary flooring for the matches with a more-able playing surface had also been obtained but the majority of the club members felt that the use of the flooring at a time when many veterans were unable to obtain flooring to finish their

Schmidt Latest Scoring Threat

JIM MILL

Bill Taylor of Detroit Red Wings picked up an assist last night to move into sole possession of second berth in the N.H.L. scoring race.

Milt Schmidt Boston banged in three points to take over fourth place with 19 points. Max Bentley, Detroit brilliant centre, dropped to fifth place. Bentley picked up three to jump from seventh to sixth place with 22 point. Bobby Bauer Boston tucked two assists to take over seventh spot with 21 points.

The leaders:	G	A	Pts
Bernard, Montreal	18	17	35
Taylor, Detroit	8	18	26
Kennedy, Toronto	15	10	25
Schmidt, Boston	11	13	24
Conacher, Detroit	13	10	23
M. Bentley, Chicago	8	15	23
Bauer, Boston	11	10	21

Fish and Game Club Plan Sunday Shoots

The Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association will hold competitions for both rifle and shotgun marksmen on Sunday. Both events will be limited to club members only.

Rifle shooting will be at Wayborne, P.C.M.R. Range at Langford, with shotgun artists will hold forth at the Albert Head grounds of the Victoria Gun Club.

Handicaps will be arranged for novice shooters and competitors will start firing at 10 a.m. Transportation will be provided to club members who is at the Hughes-Moore, Quadra and Johnson, below 10 a.m.

SOUTHERN AID MOST

A meeting of the Lower Island Junior and Juvenile Football Association will be held at Duncan at the Eagles Home View Street, commencing at 8 p.m.

Hornets Win Again Andrews Sets Pace

Playing Coach Scores 19 Points as Yakima Absorbs 53-17 Setback—Norm Baker Hurt

VANCOUVER, Dec 18 (CP)—Vancouver Hornets edged Yakima Bombers 38-47 in a hard fought Pacific Coast Professional Basketball League game here tonight thereby stretching their lead over the Bellingham Frisco's to two and a half games in the fight for the loop lead. Vancouver led 20-20 at the half.

It was Coach Perky Andrews, who led Hornets as they won the second game of the two game series, they beat Ramblers 60-53 last night.

Playing 18 minutes through the battle. The usual leading scorer, Norm Baker, was runner-up to Andrews with 13. Bob Carr again led Ramblers, setting 14 points for his nights work, while Tom Smith, on loan from Bellingham, scored 12 counters.

The game was rougher than last night's tilt, with 39 fouls being called against Vancouver and 34 against the Ramblers.

The local cagers had hands three times in the first quarter with Bombers holding an 11-8 lead at the first breather. They stretched the margin to 18-10 minutes through the second period before the Yakima five started to click and more closed 25-24 with seconds to go. Baker however whipped through with a clean shot to put Hornets one up at the half.

Ramblers forged ahead in the third minute and went into a 43-40 lead at the three-quarter mark, mainly on the shooting of Don Sanders who potted five points. They stretched their lead to five points before Vancouver pulled through 10 points for their winning margin.

Baker left the floor with eight minutes left in the game after hurting his leg in a clash with Carr.

Line-ups

Yakima—Joe Marantette, John Matianich 6, Schlicting 7, Carr 14, Derrick—2, Sanders 7, Smith 6. Total 47.

Vancouver—Andrews 18, Peddle 6, Nichol 11, Baker 13, Chaytors 4, Sykes, Clarkson, Lawn.

Ray Robinson Gets Chance To Win Title

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (?)—Ray "Sugar" Robinson, for years regarded as the uncrowned king of the welterweights, today is only a few hours away from the moment he believes will bring him official recognition as 147-pound champion.

The Harlem ace battles Yanagisawa Tommy Bell for the title in Madison Square Garden tomorrow and virtually everyone expects Sugar Ray to polish up his 74th victory in 78 starts. He has lost only to Jake Lamotta and once was held to a draw by Jose Basora.

Bell, who has knocked out 24 opponents in 31 bouts, finished drilling at his training N.J. camp yesterday weighing 143 3-4. Robinson likewise would up heavy training at his Greenwood Lake, N.Y. quarters and said he would have as trouble making the weight.

A capacity crowd at close to 18,000 and a gate of nearly $100,000 was expected.

A blow by blow account of the fight will be broadcast over Station CJVI beginning at 11 p.m.

Monarchs Take Lead

WINNIPEG Dec. 18 (CP)—Winnipeg Monarchs blanked Brandon Flies 4-0 in a Manitoba Junior Hockey Association game here tonight and took over undisputed possession of first place. It was the season's first league loss for the Flies.

A.B.C. Color Line May Be Modified

MILWAUKEE, Dec 19 (AP)—An American Bowling Congress officer said today any change in the organization's by-laws would have to be made by delegates attending the annual convention next April in Los Angeles.

The officer, who declined to be quoted by name, said he understood two suggestions for modification of the A.B.C. ban on negro bowlers had been submitted prior to the December 1 deadline for resolutions to be considered by the annual convention.

The executive board of the United Automobile Workers (C.I.O.) went on record by resolution yesterday informing the A.B.C. that unless negro bowlers were admitted the International U.A.W. would not participate nor encourage participation next year in tournaments sanctioned by the congress.

Deadline Tonight In Christmas Swim

With entries for the royal rowing this evening, James McLagan president of the V.A.S.C. announced last night that eight swimmers, including one woman, have already signified their intention of competing in the annual Victoria Amateur Swimming Club's Christmas Day swim in the inner Harbor.

Already entered are Bill Langford, Bill Dudderidge, Miles Brighton, Hans Johnson, Dave Pickens and John Lisser from the V.A.S.C., and Margaret Ward and Dua Wilson from the Y.M.A.

No post-entries will be accepted due to the event being a handicap race and all prospective entrants must have their entries at the Crystal Garden tonight before 8.

Through the courtesy of Manager Len Brail, facilities of the Crystal Garden will be available to competitors before and after the swim. Competitors will meet at the Crystal Garden at 10:30 for instructions on the day of the race.

Voted "Flop of the Year"

BILLY CONN

CLEVELAND just before his heavyweight championship bout with Joe Louis last June. Billy Conn yesterday was awarded the dubious distinction of being voted the flop of the year for his puny effort in the so-called fight. His inglorious battle was selected by 36 of the 79 sportswriters who participated in the poll as the top disappointment of 1946 sports. Ted Williams' world series performance was next on the list followed in order by the showing of the Red Sox in the same series and the season's showing of the New York Yankees. Johnny Lujack, Notre Fighting Irish, was voted the sports flop of the year for the American League Ulick.

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Brentwood Aces in First-Place Tie

Racing into an early lead and then holding off a last-half rally by their opponents, Ron Knotts Brentwood Aces slammed into a first-place tie with the Eagles in the senior "B" men's basketball standings when they conquered Macdonald, 37-30 at Brentwood last night.

In the preliminary game, the speedy Chinese Students intermediate "B" club downed Brentwood, 26-18.

With every player on the club sharing in the scoring, the Aces jumped into a quick 10-6 lead and increased their margin to 23-4 by half-time as Macdonald got away to a slow start.

Lowes, led by Lomas and Coach McCorkall, took the offensive after the intermission and gradually whittled the lead down but the big handicap was too much to overcome before time ran out.

Brentwood intermediates put up a struggle in the first three-quarters of the opener but faded in the final 10 minutes and Students chalked up 11 points while holding their opponents to a single field goal.

Macdonald—Lomas 11, Cline 8, Paige 2, Sprinkling 1, McCorkall 13. Total 30

Aces—R. Bean 7, Yardley 5, W. Bean 4, Stark 8, J. Turner 7, Bisgrett 8. Total 37

Chinese Students—Lee 8, John 10, Chan, W. Chan, Dee 1, Lowe 4, Lim, Lee. Total 26

Brentwood—B. Bean 1, Cuthbertson 4, Toland 3, Booth 6, Laidlaw 8, Turner. Total 18

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Gorman Obtains Injunction To Prevent Use of Players

OTTAWA, Dec 18 (CP)—Jimmy McFadden and Le Hawks who left Ottawa Senators Hockey Club this week today told The Evening Citizen in Telephone from Pembroke, Ont., they have signed one-year contracts with Buffalo Bisons of the American Hockey League and have no intention of returning to Ottawa.

Wilde an international ballet raged about them, the two players were packed in the border town because United States immigration officials were holding them from entering the United States. They lacked Canadian labor exit permits.

The pair who left here Monday said they had mailed seven-day notices of termination to the Senators club last Wednesday. They said they didn't feel they had broken their contracts with the Quebec Senior Hockey League club but had been twice ordered away from Montreal. Further, they said, they thought the United States ban said were up to the Buffalo club.

BUFFALO, N.Y. Dec. 19 (CP)—Dr James J. Allinger, general manager of Buffalo Bisons, declared today that Tommy Gorman, general manager of the Ottawa Forum Company, is trying to make his own rules and we don't intend to let him get away with it.

The comment of the head of the American Hockey League club was made when advised that the Ottawa Forum Company had obtained an interim injunction against the Bisons restraining them from enlisting players of Ottawa Senators to break their contracts.

May Make Bribery A Federal Offence

WASHINGTON, Dec 18 (AP)—Representative Ed Herbert of Louisiana demanded today Congress should drive racketeers and tinsel-way from pro and amateur sports by making bribery of athletes a Federal offence.

He told a reporter he will introduce bills to do this just as soon as Congress convenes January 3—and don't think the penalties won't be tough.

Blue Bombers To Remain In West Loop

WINNIPEG, Dec 18 (CP)—President A. C. Taylor told the 19th annual meeting of the Winnipeg Rugby Club here tonight that while Winnipeg should eventually try to link up with Eastern Canadian football it would have to be content next year with remaining a part of the Western Inter-Provincial Union.

At the same time he urged that if Winnipeg was to continue competing with Eastern football teams it ships should be taken immediately to raise funds with which to bring in additional top grade men.

A rock-bottom in Winnipeg seating of just 1,000 top-grade was also forthcoming. Mr. Clippsham said the Indian team fold up within a couple of years here.

VICTORIA HOCKEY PRACTICE

All members of the Victoria senior and juvenile hockey clubs are requested to meet at the Public Library on Monday at 12 15 p.m. for transportation to Nanaimo for the weekly work-out.

Skaters are reminded that regular Sunday, daily sessions at the Nanaimo Arena have been resumed.

Salem Pro Cagers Win From Seattle

SALEM Ore Dec 18 (AP)—Salem's Trailblazers led all the way here tonight to take a 56-48 Pacific Coast Professional Basketball League series opener from Seattle's Blue Devils.

Salem's defense held the high-shooting Seattle guards Wally Leach and Norm Dahlberg to ten points. Al Maul was high for the Devils with ten. Forward Jack Vaughn paced the Blazers with 12. The win shoved Salem ahead of the Devils in the league standing.

Seattle—Hairston 2; Watson 4, Maul 10; Leach 2; Dahlberg 2; Kalra 5; Logg 12; Chase 2; Glavin 4; Parsons 4. Total 48

Salem—Markovich 11; Vaughn 12; Cheterbaum 10; Ritter 11; O'Brink 7; Antos 2; Bitron 2; Kolb 2. Total 58

Students, Navy Clash On Cage Card Tonight

Cage games carded tonight at Victoria High School bring together Chinese Students and Navy in the feature match "B" contest at 8 p.m. Students flap "A" team and Camera will clash in a girls' game, and RNVR will oppose Bay A.C. in the junior boys' opener.

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Statistics Just Figures To Unpredictable Illini

By JERRY LISKA

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Dec. 19 (AP)—The Pacific coast college community is that U.C.L.A. is a decisive statistical favorite over Illinois in their Rose Bowl collision New Year's Day.

The Fighting Illini who dispatched Pasadena tomorrow just hope that the undefeated and untied Uclans attach substantial importance to their robust record against ten consecutive West Coast victims.

It was just such calculating which tumbled powerful Michigan and potent Ohio state to methodical defeats by the Big Nine champions of Coach Ray Eliot who apparently only score touchdowns when they are needed.

If you are a figure filler, U.C.L.A. should be able to call its shots against "the reluctant dragons" from Illinois which originally voted against Rose Bowl participation and then did a quick turnabout when it found the Cinderella's slipper exactly fit.

The Bears outgained their ten opponents, 3,797 net yards to 1,856, while Illinois, beaten by Notre Dame and Indiana, had a nine-game net of 2,042 to 2,156 by rivals, which is less than breaking even.

The offensive breakdown shows that U.C.L.A. gained 2,606 yards on the ground to 968 by opponents, and 1,191 yards by passing against 880, while Illinois running attack rolled up 1,584 against 1,446, and its passing was far behind with 458 to 710.

But figures have been a weaning long laugh to the Illini who finished eighth in the Western Conference offensive column and yet bounded home with the league title with a 6-1 record. Illinois two most important victories—against Michigan and Ohio State—were fashioned on pass interceptions for touchdowns.

By BILL BECKER

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18 (AP)—Just as good as they had to be all season, the all-victorious U.C.L.A. Bruins are preparing to be even better for the Rose Bowl.

Making no bones about being miffed over not being ranked higher than fourth nationally after ten straight wins, the Bruins have displayed tremendous slip and sock in practice drills this week after a forty-night layoff.

In fact, Coach Bert La Brucherie, after watching his regulars rock through a full hour of offensive scrimmage yesterday, decided to start tapering off workouts, for fear his boys might leave their best game on the practice field.

An indication of the way the Bruins have been preparing for their New Year's date: Four men have been knocked unconscious this week and All-Coast Centre Don Paul suffered a leg twist which may keep him out several days.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

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Racing Results At Tropical Park

MIAMI, Dec. 18—Racing results at Tropical Park today follow:

FIRST RACE—
Mother Aimee 480 16 $3.80 $6.80
Hedge Apple 7.00 4.00
Wrangler II B Wa Wise Kickaver 3.20
Kid Sam Fauve Yvonne Street Lively Lad

SECOND RACE—
Bad Bing 10.10 $4.60 $3.80
Ric Rac 18.10 6.00
Navigated Tennis Ball Tar Baby Al Dancing Jack W Mr Kelly

THIRD RACE—
Tess's Boy 12.70 $1.80 $1.60
Dream A 1.70 1.20
Gold Again

FOURTH RACE—
Ruffed Grouse 10.70 $4.10 $2.70
High Fashion 1.20 3.00
Admiral Q 1.40
Beat'nut Bing the Bk.

FIFTH RACE—
Ocean Ace $2.40 $11.00 $4.40
Ellington 7.10 3.40
Chris Seward 2.00
Brightfield Gingalark Blogarvia

SEVENTH RACE—
Bellwood $20.80 $7.80 $3.80
Ruffed Grouse 4.00 2.00
Dr Jim 2.00
Hollywood Parisian Cavalcade

EIGHTH RACE—
Bellwood $4.30 $1.80 $1.30
Ruffed Grouse 4.00 3.00
Dr Jim 2.00

OVERNIGHT ENTRIES

FIRST RACE—Mile furlong
Brown
Bowmaker Fair Chance Coaster
Dillinger
Big Range
Doubtfire
Ruffed Grouse
Alabama
Chris Seward
Ocean Ace
Tiger War
Sugar Bar
Cognoscenti
Ercola

FIFTH RACE—Mile and one-sixteenth
Pire
Ellington
Brightfield
Blue Problem
Silver Cliff
Ellington
Dr Jim
Ercola

SIXTH RACE—Mile and five-sixteenth
Oak Cliff
Bowmaker
Dancing Gold
Ribbons Are
Wrangler
Cadet
Rhoda
Bernie Andrew
Pure Bliss
Ocean Ace
Gun Peak
Broadcloth
Sun Pin
Albertine
Ellington
Palmetto
Bring Bar
Vanity Rhoda
Bob Mack
Tiny Jo 20.00

SEVENTH RACE—Mile and one-sixteenth
Ercola
Sunset
Chief
Bar Mode
Bobby Oliver
Ellington
Air Star

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Platinum Bands 2.20 $4.40 $4.80
Ma Ma 4.00 3.60
Mount Mac 3.00
Navigated Chief's Mission Bare Lassie, Pioneer Blue Dolphin Arrest Away

SECOND RACE —
Hedge Fusion $24.00 $7.60 $4.80
Bar Ma 3.00 2.80
Bar's Gem 2.00
Bar's Mary Moon Dash Lad Dunne Ann O'Donna Rosey Rich Vision

THIRD RACE—
Brown Clipper $3.20 $2.20 $3.20
Lady Dillinger 2.80 2.20
Mediterranean Quiet 2.20

FOURTH RACE—
Gay Burst $31.40 $15.40 $7.60
Bar Gold 8.60 5.40
Althaquiver 3.80

FIFTH RACE—
Marchas $5.40 $3.00 $2.80
Phaeton 15.60 8.80
Ben Ali 3.00
Arrangold Dusty Rhodes

SIXTH RACE—
Miss Marmaduke $4.00 $2.40 $2.20
American Eagle 2.00 2.80
Ancestor 3.00

SEVENTH RACE—
Bustrid $3.20 $1.20 $2.60
Bustrid 8.20 4.60
Gay Wan 4.00
Alphabad Homespun Smith A time 1:41

OVERNIGHT ENTRIES

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs
Cold Tony
Dance Bride
Ric Patar
Pancakes
Tom Tom
Wide Birds
Big Jim
Knighthood
Bar Ma Leader
Small Stuff
Italian G.I.
Jolley
Rich Wall
Gaze Proof

SECOND RACE—Six furlongs
Ivanhoe
Tackett Ty
Grand Love
Holy Cross
Why So
Ma Ma
Pin Flying
Hidden Ace
Proper Tact
Ancestor
Invasion Night
Dad's Jerry
Bar Gold
Weekend Bride
Star Thorne

THIRD RACE—Six furlongs
Alaka
Silver Bob
Gallant Boy
Gambles Alert
Lions Bottle
Ben Tannery
Ted Cruz
Ted Cruz
Moonstreet
Marina
Lemon Boy
Tiger
Thick
Hurlin
Ben Tony
Ben Sunny
Flagstaff
Major Attack

FOURTH RACE—One mile
Jamaican Chief
Blaking Away
Ed Ed
Flying Bird
Sugar Bill
Ben Ali Boy
Take Leave
Queen Brand

FIFTH RACE—Mile and one-sixteenth
New Cavalcade
Vaz
Ricky Pan
Gold Chief
Bonny Butler
Lenroy
Tiger
Dr. Bow
Gold Clipper
Alpine Bird
Bow Bender
Ben Mineral
Man Tower
America Pete
Gulf Mate
Gill Edge
Ben Ali
Erasmo

SIXTH RACE—Six furlongs
Arbaqui
Bar's Balance
Bar Gold
Scholarship
Jack B.
Mr. Chairman
Mr. Chairman
Pleasant Bob
Pioneer
Bar Lassie
Mountaineer
Calcasa Belle
Whirlitas
New Latest
Ancestor
Half Brother
Chanoinesse

SEVENTH RACE—Mile and one-sixteenth
Two By Two
Ben Ali Boy
Wet Pup
Bell Bid
Thelma
Gay Wan
Sonny Brown
Clearport
Imperial Jade

EIGHTH RACE—Mile and one-eighth
Pancake
Pin Bing
Rich Cross
Air of Russia
Ben Ali
Bonny Mary
Crucible
Jim Pat
Bobber
Ancestor Belle
Cavin S.
Wadd
More Hinge

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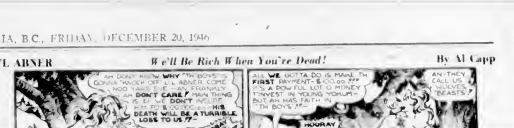

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$9450—Five-room, Fairfield bungalow, Fireplace, Hardwood floors, Robertson sash, Tinted walls, Fully fenced, Fruit trees and garden. You will like this.

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$7250—Stucco bungalow. Five rooms. Garage, district. Nice one. Fireplace, Full basement and furnace. New construction. Completely modern.

$7000—Stucco bungalow. Four rooms. Garage, district. Fireplace, Full basement and furnace. Large living-room, bright kitchen. Large lot. Lots of garden space. Well built.

$6950—Stucco bungalow. Five rooms. Garage, district. Fireplace, Full basement and furnace. Large living-room, kitchen with breakfast-nook. Large lot. Lots of garden space. Well built.

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$5750—Older type four-roomed bungalow. Bath. Hardwood floors, Fireplace, Garage. Garden lot with fruit trees. Close to transportation.

$5000—Six-room, Fairfield bungalow. Fireplace, Hardwood floors, Tinted walls, Full basement, Oil furnace throughout. Full basement, Oil furnace. Garage and garden. Kitchen range and dampers. Kitchen range and dampers. Kitchen range and dampers

Vancouver Island News

From Colonist Correspondents

Claim Crofton Harbor Polluted by Vessels

DUNCAN, Dec. 16—Since the death of the harbor master at Crofton, the port has become a dumping ground for oil and boiler scale from vessels, beaches are polluted, sea birds have been killed and dogs have been injured, it was stated at a meeting of Duncan Chamber of Commerce. It was claimed that Maple Bay and Cowichan Bay were also affected.

It was decided to send a complaint to the Department of Transport, asking that remedial measures be taken, and copies of the letter will be forwarded to the Department of Fisheries, Canada Shipping Board, Migratory Birds Commission, the Dominion Tourist Bureau and the R.C.M.P.

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Taxpayers Ask Road Repairs

COBBLE HILL, Dec. 16—At a meeting of South Cowichan Taxpayers' Association at Cobble Hill a resolution was formed protesting the condition of roads, bridges and culverts of the district, and urging action by the Provincial Department of Public Works.

It was contended that proper mapping of district roads be carried out with necessary checking and prompt repairs at danger points.

In answer to correspondence by the association, it was learned there were two pound districts in the area, but the whole district was not covered. G. E. Bonner, A. Motherwell and G. Rodger were appointed a committee to work with the Farmers' Institute in an effort to define the boundaries of a suitable pound district.

Encouraging letters were read concerning association efforts to have telephone call boxes situated on the district.

It was reported that plans were being made by Water Rights Branch for a survey of Rogers Lake and Kokishah River with a view to assessing the feasibility of water service for Cherry Point and Bench areas.

Pupils Entertain At Happy Valley

LUXTON, Dec. 19—Trustee E. H. Emery, chairman of Books Rural School District, No. 62, board of trustees, welcomed parents to Happy Valley School Christmas concert last night. Junior students sang a song of greeting.

F. J. Willsey, school principal, was presented in a Christmas pageant. Miss Jean Knowles was accompanist. The cast included Joyce Hobbs, Mary, Anna Annie Maud Betts, Joseph; Ray Woods, William Waters and Laurie Betts, three wise kings, and senior students, shepherds.

Gift was furnished by Jacquelin Johnston and Donald Bilman, visiting Santa Claus, Donald Bilman, Lois Potter and Bevery Betts gave an exhibition of tap dancing. There was a large Christmas tree with presents for children, followed by refreshments.

Injured in Woods West of Nanaimo

NANAIMO, Dec. 18—Hugo Norman, 35, a timber logger employed at Comox Logging and Railway Co. operations 18 miles west of here is in Nanaimo Hospital receiving treatment for an injured foot. It was jammed by a falling log this afternoon.

Plan Country Party Dinner Dance

LUXTON, Dec. 18—Luxton and Happy Valley Women's Institute will hold a "welcome home" party for war veterans of the two districts on December 26. Those who have not received invitations are asked to telephone the Women's Institute at Belmont 704M.

Port Alberni To Cut Speed

ALBERNI, Dec. 19—Speed limit in the city is to be reduced to 20 miles per hour, and the city council will draft a by-law to enforce the regulation. Present limit is 30 miles per hour.

Port Alberni city council will also prepare a by-law to restrict the speed limit to 20 miles per hour at Port Alberni when fire fighters are operating.

The suggestion was made by Alderman Walter Yates, who pointed out the increased need for more traffic regulations now that the bulk of the traffic occurs at night and early in the morning.

Hold Pageant At Shawnigan

SHAWNIGAN LAKE, Dec. 18—The Christmas season was marking up at Strathcona Lodge Girls' School by presentation of a Christmas pageant entitled "The Prince of Peace." Action of the pageant centered around a decorated Christmas tree, and the girls were dressed in the traditional costumes of Bethlehem, showing careful consideration of detail and effect.

The presentation was directed by Miss P. G. Davis, headmistress of the school. Preceding the pageant the audience took part in a carol service led by Rev. E. M. Willis, Anglican minister, who also played the Christmas music from the pageant. Among those present were C. W. Lonsdale and staff, and students of Shawnigan Lake School, Commander Ellis, Royal Navy, Mrs. Merston and Major Piddington

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Saves Infant In Fire

ALBERNI, Dec. 18—A 16-year-old baby sitter was credited with saving the life of 18-months-old Jack Dinham by rescuing him from a smoke-filled room last night.

Vera McKenzie, minding the baby of Mr. and Mrs. Terrance Dinham, discovered the fire when she went to the child coughing.

She had to grope her way to the crib in an upstairs bedroom, and was nearly overcome by smoke as she made her way out of the house.

Fire damage was estimated at $600. The Dinham family lost all their clothes.

Alderman Praises Fire Department

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 18 — This city now has one of the best equipped volunteer fire departments in the province, according to Ald. L. K. Cupach, chairman of the fire and water committee.

The new fire truck which recently arrived will make it possible for the brigade to fight two or possibly three fires at a time. There are three fire trucks and a chief's car.

The new fire truck was acquired from Prince Rupert Brigade by Alberni Construction and is valued at $10,000. The city paid $2,000, the total, $8,520, was covered by insurance.

There was no loss of life through fire. The inhalator squad answered three calls, and was successful in one case.

There were 36 chimneys cleaned last year, and seven chimney fires attended to, up to the end of October.

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Weather Forecasts

West Coast Vancouver Island—Overcast with intermittent drizzle. Winds southwesterly ten miles per hour. Little change in temperature.

East Coast Vancouver Island—Overcast. Winds southerly. Little change in temperature

MELBOURNE, Dec. 18 (Reuters),—Rev. Edward G. Veal, 33, Australia's oldest active clergyman, died yesterday at Glen Iris, Melbourne. He celebrated his 60th year in the ministry by graduating from the Australian College of Theology.

Vancouver Island Highways Show Marked Improvement

Highway surface conditions everywhere on Vancouver Island showed marked improvement yesterday following a general rise in temperatures accordingly to reports to the Provincial Public Works Department.

However, District Engineer Ernest Smith warned that at this time of year it is impossible to predict from hour to hour when ice, snow may fall on higher levels, such as the Malahat or the Alberni Mountains.

With many cars running on smooth tires Mr. Smith strongly advised motorists to procure sets of chains to put them on before attempting to negotiate snow-covered highways.

There was still a little snow on the Malahat yesterday, but it is being sanded constantly, and offers no difficulty. It was also believed that highways there without chains. Similar conditions prevailed in the vicinity of Alberni. Officials said, however, an overnight weather change would easily bring two or three inches of snow and motorists were warned to be prepared for difficulties.

Indicating a big improvement in the condition of the highway at the section near Nanoose that was washed out some weeks ago, prohibition of use of the highway by loaded logging trucks has now been lifted. Mr. Smith announced. Drivers, however, should still proceed with caution.

On the seven miles of the Island Highway under reconstruction between Red Cap overhead crossing and Craig's Corner, motorists are advised to reduce speed to seven miles an hour and use caution, especially at night, as mud on the old surface may make it sticky in some places.

The slide in the vicinity of Cameron Lake was reported yesterday as "inactive," with nothing more than an occasional rock coming down. A watchman has been posted there to give warning to motorists.

Nearly Century Old

GEORGE CASSIDY

Mr. Cassidy, a farmer for 64 years in North Oyster District, near Ladysmith, celebrated his 90th birthday last Sunday. He was the first Provincial Police constable at Ladysmith.

Little Stories for Bedtime

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

PETER BECOMES ACQUAINTED WITH WEASEL

Peter Rabbit was dozing close by the stone wall on the edge of the Old Orchard. To see, sir, Peter was dozing. He didn't mean to doze, but whenever Peter sits still for a long time and tries to think he is pretty sure to go to sleep. At first he didn't know what had awakened him, but as he sat there blinking his eyes he heard a few rich notes from the top of the nearest apple tree. "It's Goldy the Oriole. Thought Peter Rabbit and peered out to see.

But though he looked and looked he couldn't see Goldy anywhere. However, he did see a stranger. "This stranger looks about Goldy's size and shape. In fact he was so like Goldy but for one point of difference that Peter almost thought Goldy had somehow changed his clothes. Of course he knew that this couldn't be, but it seemed as if it must be. Even the song the stranger was singing was something like Goldy's. The stranger's head and back were dark were the same way. But the rest of his suit, instead of being the bright orange of Goldy's, is so pretty, was a beautiful shades of yellow.

Peter blinked and stared very hard. "Now who can this be?" said he speaking to himself. "Perhaps he can tell me. Perhaps he can tell me."

"Don't you know him?" asked a sharp voice, so sure that it made Peter jump. Peter whirled around to see Mrs. Grey Squirrel peering at him from the top of the old stone wall. "That's Weaver the Orchard Oriole," Striped Chipmunk continued. "If you don't know him you ought to, because he is one of the very nicest persons in the Old Orchard. I just love to hear him sing. There means Mrs. Weaver. I do hope they've decided to build in the Old Orchard this year."

"I'm glad you told me who she is because I would never have guessed it was decided to send a complaint to the Department of Transport, asking that remedial measures be taken, and copies of the letter will be forwarded to the Department of Fisheries, Canada Shipping Board, Migratory Birds Commission, the Dominion Tourist Bureau and the R.C.M.P.

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Canteen of Beautiful FINE KNIVES AND FORKS (12 each)

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This sale continues for the best factors of three days, and will be resumed with the greatest pleasure. Note that the pieces offer are to be sold at a maximum price, and are not to be sold before the sale, as the home is NOT said to be sold this year.

Notice of appointment of all the other three sales go to make up an earlier sale, and the sale will commence at 1 p.m. SHARP, FIFTY YEARS OF ACCURACY IN THIS CITY. WE ACTIONEER NO OTHER BUSINESS. WE HAVE NO OTHER BUSINESS. ALL ACCOUNTS WILL BE PAID IN FULL COMPLETED BY PAYMENT ON THE DAY OF SALE. NO MONEY CHEQUES

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Finance–Commerce–Markets

New York Stocks

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP).—The stock market today enjoyed one of its best and speediest run-ups of the month with buying apparently broad and widespread enough to ward off a renewed rally.

Gains of fractions to two or more points were widespread after some hesitation following the opening.

The day's aggregate of 1,740,000 shares compared with 1,310,000 Wednesday, and was the largest since December 9.

Strength was shown by steels, motors, associated rails and industrials.

The Associated Press 60-stock composite was up a full point at 27, widest climb since December 4. The market was the broadest since December 10 1,052 issues mentioning Of these, 742 rose and only 139 declined.

DOW JONES AVERAGES

Thirty industrials, 177.34, up 2.56.
Twenty rails, 37.47, up .63.
Fifteen utilities, 37.50, up .21.
Sixty-five stocks, 63.21, up .94
Total sales, 1,740,000 shares.

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	Close	
American Can	92	91
American Power & Light	16	16
American Smelter	62	61
American Tel & Tel	161	161
Anaconda Copper	30	30
Atchison Topeka	69	68
Addison Foods	16	16
B. & O. Railway	17	17
Bethlehem Steel	77	76
Borden	15	15
C.P.R.	19	19
Canadian Pacific	19	19
Case, J. I.	75	75
Case Co. Brothers	27	27
Curtiss Wright	6	6
Chrysler	77	77
Bendix Aviation	38	38
Erie R.R.	13	13
Electric Auto Lite	60	60
Electric Power	2	2
General Motors	39	39
Goodrich, B. F.	33	33
Goodyear	27	27
Greyhound	14	14
Homestake Mining	30	30
Hudson Motors	23	23
Hupp Motors	3	3
Int. Harvester	91	91
Int. Paper	34	34
Int. Nickel	34	34
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Kennecott Copper	34	34
Lockheed	14	14
Loew's Inc.	10	10
Montgomery Ward	44	44
Nat. Biscuit	16	16
Nat. Power Light	14	14
New York Central	14	14
Nat. Dairy Prod.	14	14
Packard Motors	4	4
Penney, J. C.	59	59
Pennsylvania RR	27	27
Pennsylvania Pwr.	41	41
Pepsi Cola	7	7
Phillips Petroleum	43	43
Pullman Inc.	34	34
Pure Oil	14	14
Radio Corp.	11	11
Reynolds Tobacco	60	60
Reynolds Metals	29	29
Sears Roebuck	38	38
Shell Union Oil	14	14
Sinclair Oil	14	14
Standard Oil Calif.	71	71
Standard Oil N.J.	68	68
Standard Oil Ind.	34	34
Standard Oil Ohio	34	34
Stewart Warner	14	14
Sperry Corp.	34	34
Swift & Co.	14	14
Texas Corp.	34	34
Texas Gulf Sulphur	34	34
Timken Roller Bearing	34	34
Union Carbide	34	34
Union Pacific	34	34
United Corp.	34	34
U. S. Steel	34	34
Vanadium	34	34
Wabash	34	34
Westinghouse Electric	34	34
Woolworth, F. W.	34	34
Yellow Cab	34	34
Zenith Radio	34	34

Toronto Stocks

TORONTO, Dec. 19 (CP).—A rumour that selling prices were to be lifted soon from base metals started a flurry wave in the base metal stocks today on the Toronto Exchange, and the whole group advanced. Volume was showed attendance. Volume was around 1,225,000 shares.

Papers were again prominent in the industrial group advance and they were trailed by the building issue. Food steel and miscellaneous issues. Pulp milling stocks also did better. Great Lakes Paper, St. Lawrence A Pfd., Canadian Dredge, Federal Grain Pfd., Riverside Silk, Bell Telephone, Consolidated Press and Consumer The all advanced a point or more

(Supplied by Hamber Ltd)

INVESTMENT SECTION	Bid	Asked
Abitibi	5	6
Acadia Atlantic Sugar, P	31	35
Acadian Herbrdts A	15	16
Agnew Surpr	1.75	2.00
Algoma A	30	40
Beauty A	42	45
Beauty B	50	55
Brazil Bk	16	18
B.C. Power Securities	14	16
B.C. Power Products	27	29
B.A. Oil	34	35
Bank of Montreal	24	25
Bank Commerce	24	25
Bank Nova Scotia	24	25
Bank Toronto	24	25
Bank

$500,000 Victoria Company Heads List of Registrations

Falconer Ltd., capitalized at $500,000 in Victoria headed a list of five new Vancouver Island companies established in a total of 36 for the province incorporated at the Legislature yesterday.

Only other Victoria registration was that of Melody Lane Restaurants, Ltd., $100,000.

Begg's Meat Market, Ltd., $10,000, and Miller & Kidd, Ltd., $10,000, were registered from Port Alberni and Johnson Pole & Piling Co., Ltd., $10,000, from Nanaimo.

Vancouver registrations were: Morrison Export & Trading Co., Ltd., $50,000; Davies Construction Co., Ltd., $10,000; Sunshine Motel, Ltd., $10,000; Perfection Upholsterers, Ltd., $20,000; Capilano Crushing Co., Ltd., $100,000; Dawson & Hall, Ltd., $75,000; City Cartage Co., Ltd., $40,000; International Development Co., Ltd., $25,000; Cine Supply, Ltd., $10,000; Prudential Holdings, Ltd., $10,000; Bevan Lumber & Builders Supplies, Ltd., $10,000; Atkinson Dredging Co., Ltd., non-personal 100 shares, no par value; National Drive-In Theatres, Ltd., $250,000 and 750,000 shares, no par value; Lake Harbour Garage, Ltd., 1,000 shares, no par value and Chappell's Boat Works, Ltd., $50,000.

Registrations from elsewhere in the province were: Interior Credit Clothiers, Ltd., $15,000 and Kelowna Co. Ltd., $20,000, Kamloops; J H Hancock, Ltd., $25,000, Camp Lister; Valley Tire Service, Ltd., $10,000, Kelowna; Prideaux Lumber Co. Ltd., $20,000, Grand Forks; Goddards, Ltd., $20,000, Salmon Arm, and Prideaux Orchesteria, Ltd., $10,000, Princeton.

Only extra-provincial registration was that of Peace River Bus Lines, Ltd. 20,000 shares, no par value, with head office at Spirit River, Alta. and head British Columbia office at Dawson Creek.

New Westminster "Ta" Men's Club was registered under the Societies Act.

Plan Requires 3,000 Donors For Blood Bank

Victorians will be asked to do their share in a Canadian Red Cross Society plan to establish blood banks across Canada.

Maj.-Gen R O Alexander, chairman of the Red Cross blood donors committee here, last night told the Rotarians Club, at the Empress Hotel that 3,000 donors would be needed in Greater Victoria.

A temporary clinic would be established at the City Hall. Maj.-Gen Alexander said but it was hoped the city would come when a permanent clinic could be set up here to serve all Vancouver Island.

The Rotarians Club will sponsor the Victoria campaign and will appoint committees to serve on Maj.-Gen. Alexander's committee.

Victoria would have been the starting point in the all-Canada campaign, Maj.-Gen Alexander stated, but suitable quarters were not available. Vancouver has assumed the honor.

"This will be the biggest thing of its kind ever attempted in the world," the speaker said. It is hoped the plan will save the lives of thousands of persons who die in accidents, and in childbirth due to lack of facilities for emergency blood transfusions.

It is estimated the campaign and continuance of the plan will cost about $1,000,000 a year. The initial cost is to be borne by the Red Cross.

Rotarians Hold Yuletide Party And Fowl Dinner

Several hundred members, wives and friends of the Victoria Rotary Club filled the spacious Crystal Ballroom of the Empress Hotel to capacity yesterday to enjoy the club's Christmas party and turkey dinner.

They were welcomed by J S Hobbs, president of the club. G I Warren welcomed 11 out-of-town Rotarians. Ten door prizes were presented, and more than 300 pounds of turkey were distributed to lucky ticket holders in a raffle conducted by A C Lindsay.

The entire assembly joined in a Christmas sing-song conducted by Frank Harwood. Music was provided by the chota ale-piper orchestra. Contributing to the entertainment program was Capt. D. J Proudfoot.

It was the last meeting of the year for the Rotary Club. It will not meet next Thursday, Mr. Hobbs announced.

Mail Arriving From Britain

Canadians can hope for a last-minute delivery of Christmas parcels from overseas with the arrival today of the Canadian Pacific's cargo-passenger liner Beaverburn, due to dock at Saint John, N.B., with 3,248 bags of mail aboard.

It is expected some of it will reach Eastern Canadians before Christmas Day. The 10,000-ton ship is carrying 3,382 tons of general cargo. Thirty-six passengers are on board. Most of them are bound for points in Ontario and Quebec.

Officers of St. Mary's Men Guild have been recently elected as follows: C Ellis, president; C Brook, vice-president; A H Down, secretary, and J Smithson, treasurer.

The executive committee includes C Teasdale, T. Simpson and T. Perry.

Shipment of Inboard Motor Boats Sent to U.S. by Victoria Company

A MERICAN interest in British Columbia-built boats of the smaller type has hit an all-time high. In the above picture can be seen a part of a shipment of 14 inboard motorboats being sent for sale to Port Angeles and other Washington State cities.

The cedar-hull boats, ranging in length from 12 to 14 feet overall, are built by workmen at Vogley Bros. Seacraft Co., 546 Johnson Street. In Port Angeles, one of the boats will be handled by the Hollywood Boat & Motor Co., headed by Jack Ealing who was in Victoria yesterday. The boats will leave Victoria this morning on board the Sirinquia. Mrs Ealong said yesterday there would be a heavy demand for boats of this kind throughout Washington State.

This is only the first of many shipments to be made to the American firm. Each month 14 or more boats of a similar design will leave this city for distribution in the United States. T. D Vogley, manager of the local boat-building firm, said the eight men, four of whom are veterans, at his shop produce five of these boats per week. There is a heavy demand for these boats, he added. The firm will soon move to a new shop at 3040 Douglas Street.

—Colonist Photo.

Motor Vehicle Fatalities Up With More Cars on the Road

With more cars on the road this year, there has been a decided increase in motor vehicle fatalities, according to the monthly bulletin of the Department of Health and Welfare.

Noticeable among deaths from communicable disease is the increase in the tuberculosis death rate. There were 24 October deaths compared with 20 in last September. October's highway death toll was 11 persons, while the total for the first ten months of the year was 118, in contrast with 82 fatalities in the corresponding period last year.

Accidents generally claimed 65 lives in October, an increase of 12 over the total for September, 1945.

Accidents involving machinery took four more lives during the month, bringing the total for the ten months to 18, exactly double that for the whole of 1945.

Deaths from accidents involving falls or crushing totaled 17 in October and 181 in the first ten months, compared with 137 in the end of October last year.

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NO BONUS

G A Dyson, president of Branch No. 6, Old Age Pensioners, yesterday said that there will be no Christmas bonus for pensioners, but that he has been informed that something will be done when Parliament meets next year. He also assured pensioners that their cheques will be mailed from Vancouver today.

PHYSICIAN FOUND SHOT

B. Thompson, 78, was found shot to death in his downtown office last night and police were searching today for the murder weapon and clues to the identity of the killer.

Announcements

Salvage Collection. The Salvation Army is, as far as our knowledge serves us, the only charitable organization picking from door to door salvage of all kinds. We ask you your used clothing and shoes which are badly needed. Your rags and used furniture, mattresses, cotton boxes, carpets, rugs, newspapers, magazines, bottles, and anything rich enough to pay. When you give to the Army it is to help others. Thanks for past favors. Watch for the red trucks. Our signs are fully displayed. Phone G 1313.

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Little Centre. Valve near Vancouver. Now showing by limited time only, notable exhibition of paintings and sculpture from Great Britain. Christmas tea, Saturday, December 21, 2 to 5.

Pacific Coast Naval Hostess, and Economist Shore Establishment. Details of services of admirals, capitains and ships up to 1939. Illustrated, $1.50, at book and department stores. Fine Christmas gift.

The Christmas Social to be held Friday, December 20, at the Victoria West Lawn Bowling Club has been rescheduled until further notice. Money will be refunded. If so desired Phone J. Keating E 7949.

Navy Chapter I.O.D.E. contest winners: Grocery Basket: Al-ert Blone, 217 Wildwood Street. Nightlapkin Contest: Mrs J W Cashmore, 3740 Cromwell Road.

Citizenship Act Important Kinsmen Told

"The new Citizenship Act which comes into effect in Canada January 1 will play a vital part in our lives," in the opinion of Harry Gilliland, vice-principal of the Normal School who addressed the Kinsmen Club at the Empress Hotel last night.

He reviewed Canada's citizenship laws from the Immigration Act of 1910 through the Naturalization Act of 1914 and the Canada Nationals Act of 1921.

"A great deal of confusion resulted from these various acts," said the speaker. He thought the new act would tend to ease the confusion "it will mean Mr Gilliland said, "that when a Canadian is asked his citizenship he will be able to say 'Canadian' with no further explanation necessary."

Reasons for the new act, Mr Gilliland said were a rising tide of nationalism in Canada and the need for national unity.

Those applying must signify their intention of doing so one year in advance, Mr Gilliland said. A Canadian citizen will remain a British subject. Those applying for citizenship must have been lawfully admitted to Canada, have resided here five consecutive years, prove themselves to be of good character, speak either English or French, understand obligations of Canadian citizenship and plan to reside in Canada.

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BERRYLAND BARTLETT PEARS Per tin	23c
CELIOTE GREENGAGES AND RED PLUMS. 2 tins	29c
COLUMBIA PEACHES Per tin	21c
AYLMER PRUNE PLUMS Per tin	16c
CLARK'S TOMATO JUICE Tin	11c
CAMPBELL'S TOMATO SOUP Tin	10c
CAMPBELL'S VEGETABLE SOUP Tin	12c
GINGER WINE Bottle	67c
CHOICE TOMATO JUICE Large 105-oz tin	63c
AYLMER DICED CARROTS Tin	11c
GRAPEFRUIT JUICE 20-oz tin	16c
COCONUT Per lb	59c
FRUIT CAKE MIX ½ lb package	22c
½ lb package	12c
BEANS IN TOMATO SAUCE 20-oz tin	16c
ROYAL CITY PEAS AND CARROTS Per tin	19c
AYLMER KENTUCKY WONDER CUT GREEN BEANS Per tin	11c
WAX BEANS Choice, per tin	15c
PEAS Medo choice quality, per tin	15c
BIG FOP GINGER ALE Large bottle	26c
MIXED NUTS Per lb	45c
WALNUTS Per lb	55c
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British Stocks

LONDON, Dec 19 (CP)—Block closing: Babcock & Wilcox, 50s 6d; Bomb Price Drug, 45s 7 1-2d; Central Mining, £23; Consolidated Gold Fields, 75s; Courtaulds, 54s 3d; De Beers, £21 1-2; Hudson's Bay Company, 10s; London Midland Railway, £30 3-6; Metal Box, 118s 1 1-2d; Megtzen Eagle, 18s 3d; Mining Trust Ltd., 12s 6d; Rand Mines, 12s 3d.

Brazil: Bonds 2 1-2 per cent Consols, 1926 2 1-2 per cent Funding 4s, 1889-89, £121 1-8; War Loan, £107 3-4; British Funding 4s, 1960-90, £121 1-8.

Montreal Stocks

MONTREAL, Dec. 19 (CP)—Papers maintained yesterday's upswing in trading up to the final hour today on the Stock Exchange and curb market, and in the balance of the last strength was displayed by metals, industrials and beverages.

Rises ran to 5 1-2 points in papers, and winners included the St. Lawrence paper group, Brown and Abitibi issues, B.C. Pulp, Powell, M. & O. and Bathurst "B".

Among the metals, up were Smelters which opened lower, Aluminum, H.B. Mining, Nickel and Noranda. In oil refineries, McColl was ahead.

	Bid	Asked
Can. Steam. Prod		
Can Bank of Commerce	32	33¼
Royal Bank	27	28¼
Bank of Montreal	25½	26
Bank of Nova Scotia	29	30
Bank Bard	25½	26
Bank Toronto		
Abitibi com	16¾	18¼
Abitibi pfd	42	50
Algoma Steel	31	31¼
Alminex Ord. Ltd.	25½	26
Aluminum	27½	28
Bathurst A	26½	28¼
Bell Telephone	137	138
Brazilian Tract	11½	12¼
British American Oil	26¾	27¾
B. C. Packers	24	26
B. C. Power "A"	26½	28
Building Products	36	37
Burns & Co. com	102	103
Bruck Cloth	11	12½
Can. & Dom. Sugar	21	21¾
Can. Malting	46	48
Can. Nor. Power	12½	13½
Can. Steamships com	8	12
Can. Steamships pfd	40	45
Can. Cement	36	36½
Can. Breweries	35½	36
Can. Bread com	14	16
Can. Car & Fdy. com.	16	18
Can. Celanese	28	29
Can. Indus. Alcohol	15	16
Can. Locomotive	11	13
C. P. R.	15	16
Viceroy com.	11	12
Viceroy pfd	102	
Cockshutt Plow	8	9
Combs. Alcohol	9	10
Cons. Paper	36	36¼
Consol. Mining & Smelt	42	42½
Distillers Seag	16	16½
Dom. Bridge	43	44
Dom. Engineering	45	48
Dom. Stores	12	13
Dom. Glasses & Linoleum	18	19
Dom. Steel & Coal B	14	15
Dom. Textile	41½	42½
Dom. Tar & Chemical	24½	25½
Dom. Tire	14½	15½
Donnacona Paper	12½	13½
Drinkle Paper	17	18
Fed. Flour Mills	8½	9½
Fed. Paper	10	11
Gold of Canada "A"	39½	40
Foundation Co.	34	36
Frasers Co. "A"	14½	15½
Gen. Dyestuff	7	8
Gen. Steel Wares	6½	7½
Gypsum, Lime	32	33½
Hamilton Bridge	9½	10½
Hayes Steel	16	18
Hinde & Dauch	30	32
Imperial Tobacco	14	14½
Inter. Bakeries Pref.	34½	36
Inter. Nickel	34½	35
Inter. Paper	30	31½
Inter. Pete	19½	20
Inter. Power	46	47
Lake Dist.	15½	16½
Laurentide Power	50	55
Maple Leaf com	14	15
Massey Harris com	17½	18
Massey Harris pfd	38	39
McColl Frontenac com	23½	24½
Mont. Light, Heat & Power	27½	28½
Mitchell Bank	15½	17½
Mont. Cotton com	45	49
Mont. Cotton pfd	100	105
National Paper	11	12
Page Hersey	11	12
Powell River	36	38½
Power Corp.	13¾	15
Price Bros.	61	63½
Quebec Power	26½	28½
Russelton com	8	10
St. Lawrence Corp. pfd	33	35½
St. Lawrence Paper, pfd.	133	134
Shawinigan	34	35½
Simon H. & Sons	28	30
South Can. Power	16	18½
Steel of Can.	26	27
Tooke Bros. com	4	12
Tooke Bros. pfd	8½	12
Walker H. & B. com	14½	15½
Wood Alex. com	14½	16
Wood Alex. pfd	99	100

Closing Averages

TORONTO

Twenty industrials, 177.87, up 1.50.
Twenty golds, 102.57, up .31.
Ten base metals, 85.73, up 1.50.
Fifteen western oils, 21.14, down .09.
Total sales, 1,271,606 shares.

MONTREAL

Twenty industrials, 126.30, up 1.26.
Ten utilities, 31.50, down .79.
Thirty combined, 109.40, up .60.
Ten pulp and paper, 35.76, up .10.
Fifteen golds, 69.31, down .01.
Total sales, 103,900 shares.

VANCOUVER

Twenty golds, 62.21, up .04.
Ten base metals, 97.72, unchanged.
Fifteen oils, 75.37, unchanged.

MONTREAL, Dec. 19 (CP)—Dollar value of all listings traded on the Stock Exchange and curb market at the end of November at $8,717,314—100 showed an increase of $158,275—289 compared with the October figure. Value in November, 1945, was $8,558,938,820. Miscellaneous mines and base metals were responsible for about 50 per cent of the gain.

London Market

LONDON, Dec 19 (Reuters)—The Stock Exchange was quiet today with an extremely small turnover confined largely to the gilt-edged market where there was some selling for reinvestment in home rails. Gold mines were quietly steady, but copper shares were dull. European bonds were supported selectively in the foreign market.

Winnipeg Grain

WINNIPEG, Dec 19 (CP)—Trade was dull and listless as rye future prices remained steady on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange today. The market showed a probability appearance with little aggression although there was some moderate support by locals. No export business was recorded.

(B. B. Rumber Ltd.)

Rye—	Open	High	Low	Close
Jan.	98	98½	97½	97½
May	366	366½	363½	364½
July	194	196½	193½	196½

CASH GRAIN

Oats	
No. 2 C.W.	81½
Track	81½
Barley	
No. 3 C.W.	84½
Track	86½
Rye	
No. 2 C.W.	179½
Track	180

OTTAWA Dec. 19 (CP)—Deliveries of wheat from farms in the prairie provinces increased during the week ended December 12, totaling 6,018,097 bushels, compared with 4,912,108 in the preceding week, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported today.

Toronto Unlisted Mines

(Jones Schanbron & Bone)

	Bid	Asked
Alexander Red Lake	32	34
Adbakon	64	66
Amal. Rich	68	71
Bright Red Lake	66	69
Cadwallader	11	12
Cassidy Tetonkahia	13	14
Calumbarite	61	66
Cobalt	18	19
Coniaurum Placer	16	17
Dalton Red Lake	36	40
Dominion Nickel	14	16
Florida Co.	3 4c	5c
Gunnar Pan	21	22
Hi Ho	3c	5c
Hollinger	13	13½
Hud. Bay	17	18
Jason	47	49
Jacket Porcupine	11	13
Kimbo	27	29
Lake Shore	3	4
Lakeshore Tetonkahia	60	65
Lorraine	30c	40c
Lamto	23	34
Lynx Red Lake	13	14
McLeod	16	18
McFinley	56	62
National Metallurgic	21	26
Norbaska A	10	12
Pickle Crow	3	4
Parkside	10	12
Pontiac	19	24
Quest Tetonkahia	14	15
Russell	16	17
Sherlock	12	13
Sylvanite Gold	3 00	3 40
Young Davidson	24	27

Loan Oversubscribed

MONTREAL, Dec. 19 (CP)—The new Canadian National Railways $50,000,000 loan was a feature in trading today on the bond market. The issue was oversubscribed soon after the books were opened, and there was little trading in the issue after the books were closed.

Other bonds were firm with the 3s of 59 Victorys more active than the rest and a bit higher. There was a strong demand with few offerings for all provincial, municipal, utilities and corporation two-pays by those seeking U.S. funds.

In rails, Algomas increased three recent first. Papers extended yesterday's gains, prominent in demand being Abitibis, New Consolidated, Donnaconas and Brown.

FOREST PRODUCTS REPORT

TORONTO Dec. 19 (CP)—Net earnings of British Columbia Forest Products during the three-month period of operation starting July 1, 1946, totaled approximately $300,000, E. P. Taylor, president, reported today. The report covered the fiscal period from January 31 to September 30. Net working capital stood at $1,021,273.

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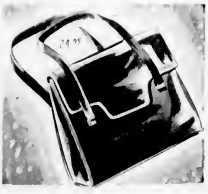

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